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# OBITUARIES

## LOUIS WIRTH

It is with deep and sincere regret that we must record the death of the first President of the International Sociological Association Professor Louis WIRTH of the University of Chicago

The sudden and untimely death of Professor WIRTH on 4 May 1952 came as a great shock to all his friends and colleagues and to all those he had guided and encouraged in the advancement of international communication and co-operation between sociologists and for

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for fruitful social science co-operation across national boundaries Having received his early training in Germany he emigrated to the United States at the age of 19 became a social worker in Chicago studied sociology under Park Burgess Thomas and Small obtained his Ph.D. on his outstanding study of *The Ghetto* and went back to Germany for a couple of years under an SSRC fellowship The studies he undertook during that period led him to a greater realization of the need for increased cross fertilization between the differing national schools of sociology and led to his persistent efforts to acquaint American and British sociologists with the approaches of the Mannheim school and the problems of the sociology of intellectual life In the late thirties his interests came to be more orientated towards the sociology of the city and problems relating to planning and the utilization of national resources During and after World War II a third interest came to the forefront Louis WIRTH became a leading expert in the field of minority problems and race relations was a very active President of the American Council on Race Relations and played a big part in the efforts of international organizations concerned with the advancement of studies and programmes of action in this field These interests led him to increased realization of the need for systematic promotion of co-operation between the sociologists active in the different countries of the world He became President of the American Sociological Society for the year 1947 and made great efforts to encourage the movement toward a general international co-operation in sociology He was a member of the Preparatory Committee set up by Unesco in October 1948 to plan the creation of an international organization of sociologists, and served as Chairman of the Constituent Congress of the International Sociological Association held in Oslo in September 1949

The Provisional Council set up at the Constituent Congress unanimously elected Professor WIRTH Provisional President for the first year of operation of the association This was a difficult period in its development and placed a heavy burden of responsibility on Louis WIRTH He devoted a great deal of his time and energy to the problems that had to be tackled and helped and



encouraged the Secretariat set up in Oslo in numerous ways. He took a big share in the planning and preparation of the World Congress of Sociologists held in Zurich in September 1950, delivered a number of outstanding addresses and presided over its meetings in a masterful way that will be remembered by all those who were present. The formally established council of the association unanimously elected him its first regular president for the three year period 1950-53 and thus expressed its confidence in his leadership and in his devotion to the cause of international social science co-operation.

Professor WIRTH was eager to continue his work for the further development of the programme of the association and would have taken a major share in the planning and organization of the World Congress of Sociology to be held in Liège from 24 August to 1 September 1953. He looked forward very much to this gathering of sociologists from all parts of the world and was firmly convinced of its importance to the advancement of sociology as a science and as a basis for social action.

Louis WIRTH also contributed to the strengthening of co-operative ties between the various social science disciplines. He took the initiative in proposing the creation of an international social science council and presided over the council in Zurich and December 1950. He was engaged till the very end in a realistic structure of a realistic very end in national social science associations between Unesco and the different international sociology and international social science has been an ardent indefatigable spokesman and leader in the death has left all a sense of loss and untimely a profound n to his vision of inter

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Theodor GEIGER was born in Munich in 1891 and received his early training in law and statistics. The profound post-war convulsions of German society motivated his early interest in mass behaviour and the sociology of political movements and led him to undertake the extensive investigations that are recorded in *Die Masse und ihre Aktion* (1916) and *Führer und Folge* (1916). He was appointed a professor of sociology at the Technological University of Brunswick in 1928 and published a general treatise on sociology and a very important report on his pioneering studies in social stratification, *Die soziale Schichtung des deutschen Volkes* (1932). The accession of the National Socialist party to power in Germany in 1933 drove him into exile in Denmark. He was engaged in a number of research projects at the Institute for History and Social Science in Copenhagen for some years and in 1938 was appointed to

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He died on board the ship that should have brought him home. He did not live to see the realization of his dream of a world of peace and understanding in the field of social science.

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AREA STUDIES



# INTRODUCTION

A recent survey carried out by the American Political Science Association among the political science departments of 75 American universities showed that at 308 of the 397 current research projects dealt with international relations and that of those 308 198 were area studies. This is an interesting point and deserves some further consideration. The exact meaning of the term "area study" as used by American researchers is still a little uncertain. It may be applied to any study of a particular area at least if it is concerned with some branch of the social sciences or it may have a much more specific meaning: an area study being a comprehensive study of a given region from several different points of view with the object of determining its role in international life. This is not the place to enter into a discussion of these definitions. The reader will find food for thought on this point in the following pages of this issue of *International Social Science Bulletin*. This uncertainty of meaning seems however to be a reasonable starting point for an explanation of the deep underlying number of the periodical "American and to a lesser extent British and French scientists are attaching increasing importance to area studies in the social sciences. The time therefore seems ripe for seeing where we stand. The fact that the basic idea of an area study is still not entirely clear in the minds of many specialists is surely an adequate reason for trying to clarify what we mean by it at least for the time being. Those who first thought of tackling the problem in this way despite the difficulties involved were in no way complacent about the results. The most they could hope to do was to make some suggestions to lay down tentatively certain principles and to bring up some questions of method in the hope of stimulating fruitful discussion rather than of stating new dogma. Let them not be criticized for temerity so the attitude towards the problem preserves that humility which must govern any new line of scientific thought particularly when we are concerned with the sciences which have to do with man.

The writers of these articles have sought to be scientific—in other words they have not troubled about the philosophical and ethical bases of what they are trying to do. It could be as well however to say something about these aspects here. Like any other scientific method the area study may be a weapon of peace or of war. An exact knowledge of the part that a foreign country plays in international political and social life may help strategists in a future war quite as much as it does the advocates of collective security. Just as tremendous advances in aircraft design and construction were naturally made under the pressure of wartime needs—advances which now that peace has returned help in building people closer to one another—so area studies may be used in the same way. There is no doubt that the rapid development of this type of research in the United States of America dates from the second world war and has been



accelerated by the cold war. The Department of State naturally interested in training agents abroad and in learning more of the countries with which it is dealing day by day has given much encouragement to work undertaken spontaneously by many American universities in this field and has in fact instigated such investigations itself. Accurate information is an essential factor in strategy and area studies can supply invaluable material. But it would be dangerous to shut our eyes to all but this aspect of the problem and Unesco is well placed to draw attention to the other side of the picture. Surely wars are due at least in part to the fact that the peoples do not understand one another? The main object of an area study is to try to understand another people or group of peoples. The attitude which seeks to use the power a nation can wield to impose its will with a blind disregard for the legitimate claims of

its enemies or adversaries has been described by Professor Morgenthau in his

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Weltpolitik. Neo isolationism is a danger besetting Europe and area studies are certainly one of the best remedies for it as are visits by people of one country to others. Any area study conducted in a spirit of impartiality and tolerance shows us Man, however obvious this point may seem, it is as well to mention it, for the pace of the modern world sometimes leads to complete disparity between the national ideal and the humanistic ideal.

Another feature of area studies is also worthy of note. They provide opportunity for fruitful collaboration between specialists in different branches of study. Close co-operation in a common undertaking between historians, geographers, sociologists, anthropologists, psychologists and linguists is something which deserves attention and opens up prospects of considerable interest. It is a new attack on the hard and fast conceptions of university teaching and research, a breach in the wall which the established well defined, recognized branches of study continually put up against new branches. It is important to note in this connexion that Unesco has always tried to bring about such collaboration between scholars in different fields of specialization. The whole idea of the area study implies not merely association but union of the efforts of those taking part, generally under the guidance of a specialist in international relations for the prosecution of concerted scientific objects.

This issue does not pretend to give an exhaustive account of area studies. The six articles taken as a whole however present a general picture which is I think in line with methods Professor Morgenthau has used in his study of the Saar and

area studies in general.  
dealing with the theory of the question. He suggests a method of marking out the geographical areas to be studied and for selecting the lines of research to be employed in each case. Professor Hans Morgenthau of the University of Chicago seeks to establish the relationship between area studies and the study of international relations. He shows that the latter has gradually drawn away from history and international law while area studies by bringing about integration between various branches of learning and thus broadening the outlook of research workers lead to important developments in the intellectual sphere, the chief of these being an understanding of 'cultural relativity' and a juster appreciation of those cultures which are foreign to us. Professor

Jean Gottmann of the Princeton Institute for Advanced Studies and the Institute of Political Studies in Paris describes the contribution which human geography and economics can make to area studies. He treats the question historically and shows how human geography originated with Vauban and has been strikingly developed in the twentieth century by Vidal de la Blache and Demangeon. The geographers' main contribution to an area study is to explain the distribution of human settlements over the world. Professor Gottmann points out that it is best to avoid confining the study to too small a region. Professor John A. Hazard of Colombia University, New York, a specialist on Slavonic questions, takes Soviet law as an example to show that detailed study of legal problems can teach us much about the national and international aspects of a country's life. In particular, the idea of the relations between the State and the individual, which differs so much from country to country and which is so instructive, is clearly revealed by a detailed examination of a country's laws. Professor Simey of Liverpool University deals with the contribution of sociology and psychology to area studies. He suggests that the geographical areas chosen for study should be socio-cultural units. In his view, it is extremely difficult to draw a dividing line between sociology and psychology in such work. It is in fact no use to analyze the structure of societies as they are without reference to the development of the individual characteristics of men and women. He goes on to extend this idea of the need for a sociation to other sciences such as anthropology, political economy and political science. This is a big step forward, bringing us as it does from multi-disciplinary techniques to interdisciplinary techniques. The obvious conclusion is that the improvement of area studies is bound up with the as yet inadequate development of some of the social sciences. Professor Melville J. Herskovits of North Western University writes on cultural anthropology. This provides a frame of reference for the analysis of the ways of life of any people in terms of their own institutions, accepted modes of behaviour and underlying actions. If cultural anthropology is left out of account, descriptions of culture are bound to remain somewhat 'in the air'. He analyses the concept of culture, showing that unlike physical characteristics, culture is acquired by the individuals in the group and brings out the extent to which culture determines the conduct of those individuals. In his view, the principal purpose of area studies is to give a complete picture of the culture of a specified region. Cultural anthropology thus has a vital part to play or at all events a greater part than it has so far been allotted.

A bibliography with abstracts of the most important area studies so far published follows these articles. It has been drawn up in collaboration with the information services of the Fondation nationale des sciences politiques. Paris.

This issue of *International Social Science Bulletin* is intended to provide material for discussion, comparison and further suggestions. It is hoped that this tentative survey of the position may be followed a little later by another dealing more comprehensively and in greater detail with the situation.

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naive Men have always been interested in understanding the international role of certain regions To go no further back than the nineteenth century Custine's *Loy en Russie* Father Hue's *Voyage en Tartarie* and de Tocqueville's *Democracy in America* stand out among a host of similar works in that they go beyond the purely descriptive stage and at least aspire to a certain scientific value even if they do not always attain it The originality of the American area studies lies rather in their systematic character in the number of disciplines on which they draw and the insight conveyed by saying that the student may assume one of three main

guesswork plays a common to all these works is the fact that though the scientific approach is uppermost the field of research is restricted to one or a few well defined sciences and no attempt is made to seek for a complete explanation of the international life of the region The third category is the form which is at once scientific and systematic—that of area studies Needless to say there are non American works even of this last form Mention may be made among many other examples of the work *Justicia and the Pacific* published by the Australian Institute of International Affairs<sup>1</sup> and of the excellent *Italy on a la Tunisie* by A Basset and his collaborators<sup>2</sup> Some of the publications of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in Great Britain are real area studies The originality of the American scientific study lies in the fact that they have devoted themselves to this form of study in a wider and more systematic manner and gone further in discarding the single author method in favour of large scale teamwork The very scope of such work is attempts at co-ordination and the results already obtained would seem to confirm it a profound significance in the evolution of modern scientific research Gone is the stage of groping hesitation, and perhaps the time has come to reflect on the method which has emerged from the first experiments carried out That is the object of this article It makes no pretence of being anything but provisional a mere starting point susceptible of stimulation and discussion as much by the errors as by the truths which it may contain Such a discussion would be invaluable for the improvement of the very principles of research

For this purpose it is proposed to study three aspects of the methodological problem First is the place of area studies in the study of international relations Second is the notion of an area just when can a region be submitted to systematic study? Thirdly what are the elements of a systematic study and how is it possible to determine the disciplines whose employment is indispensable for the study of the geographical area chosen

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One will be surprised that we class area studies in the very well-defined field of the study of international relations A simple consideration of the nature of these studies reveals the direction given them consciously or not by

# AREA STUDIES PROBLEMS OF METHOD

JEAN B DUROSELLE

The expression area study is becoming the fashion in the United States. For some years now doubtless as a corollary to the rapid development of an American foreign policy on a world scale a large number of scholars generally working in teams have been instituting a form of enquiry whose aim is to spread a scientific knowledge of the problems raised by certain territories States or groups of States in the world. Perhaps this is an instinctive reaction against the almost complete ignorance about everything that did not concern their continent from which American diplomatic circles suffered in the isolationist period.<sup>1</sup> Or perhaps in a country where geographical studies attract little attention—there are several large American universities without a single chair of geography—although the teaching of international relations is very advanced the development of area studies constitutes a spontaneous means of associating spatial considerations with the examination of general political data. However that may be we are faced with an abundance of works dealing with every part of the world. A concern for detailed information has led the Social Science Research Council to publish various guides which indicate the nature and the level of area studies in the main United States universities.

The best handy definition of an area study till we have had time to work out something more accurate is *the scientific study of a region presenting a certain politico social unity with a view to understanding and explaining its place and its role in international society*.<sup>2</sup> This result can only be obtained by the systematic use of all branches of study that may provide valid explanations.

Let us take as an example the Middle East. Without claiming the list that follows as complete it would seem unlikely that anyone would be able to understand the Middle East's part in international society without calling on physical geography, climatology, political history, commerce, sociology—chiefly as concerns the

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political relationships between States. Diplomacy assuredly has its share in this concept which is richer in meaning today than in the past. But relations between nations nowadays are maintained on many other levels. There are economic financial and monetary relations demographic relations by emigration or immigration cultural relations in all their forms ranging from reciprocal influence in art and literature to psychological warfare with intermediate forms. Here cultural exchanges are tied up with commercial dealings as in the export of films or the sale of patents or indeed in tourist travel. All these forms of international relations are obviously to a great extent interdependent though each has its own aspects and a certain autonomy.

In the objective study of these relations in the wider sense there are several stages to be distinguished. The first is the accumulation of materials which will be very varied sought from the most diverse sciences and disciplines and as carefully selected as possible. There is room for a study of the methodology of this selection and for a criticism *a priori* and *a posteriori* of the value of these materials but this is not the place for such a task. Under the heading of what is here called accumulation of materials would come such enquiries as a study of the influence of banks and business circles on the foreign policy of a country at various moments in its history a study of the influence of American films on the psychology of different peoples according to the circulation of the former and the level of culture of the latter or again a study of the development and conquests of a language or a religion at the expense of other languages or other religions and so on. Needless to say every science plays its part in this accumulation of material though only what is useful to the understanding of international relations is taken into account. This will avoid any confusion between this first phase of the work and the compilation of a universal encyclopaedia.

The second stage is the study of all the phenomena concerning a given territory or group of territories so as to distinguish the fundamental data and the accidental data explaining the international life of this geographical area. This is the purpose of area studies. To define the place (static point of view) and the role (dynamic point of view) of an area in international relations is in fact to establish which are the fundamental and enduring and which the contingent and accidental data that explain the relations of this area with the rest of the world.

The third stage consists in working out a theory of international relations as a whole that is to say in finding the fundamental data which explain these relations in general independently of geographical areas. This phase will normally take the form of a study of world wide phenomena such as nationalism colonialism and imperialism. It will also include an examination of the general influences which affect international relations and of their respective value— influences of political of the geographical background of

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their authors Take as an example a collection which has already created some stir *Modern France*<sup>1</sup> a symposium edited at Princeton by Professor Edward Mead Earle with contributions from 28 American scholars and one Frenchman Mr Andre Siegfried Taken together the studies which might be disparate if they had been juxtaposed converge towards a well defined aim to help the educated public particularly American scholars and statesmen to understand the real situation of France Yet setting aside a purely abstract curiosity what can be the interest of a precise knowledge of the French situation if it be not to evaluate the interest of a precise knowledge of the world? The mere fact that it can indeed be said that a study of an area under consideration is essentially an element in the human universe would be pure verbiage without any scientific value The human community in the pure state isolated from other communities does not exist save on the insignificant scale of the desert island for the brief period that the shipwrecked party lives there Even countries protected by formidable natural barriers such as Tibet or Sinkiang Greenland or the Antarctic lead to no such isolation as relationships like all the rest of the world

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isolated phenomenon but assesses the importance of France in the world For such a book to be truly objective it must be addressed to all readers everywhere who whatever their nationality wish to form an exact and scientific opinion on France There are of course lesser degrees of objectivity more precise and more limited aims for example that of explaining the role of France to the Americans only This is perhaps the spirit behind the publication of another book on France in some ways parallel with Earle's Professor Donald McKay's *The United States and France* The title is ambiguous and might suggest that it was a study limited to relations between the United States and France It is nothing of the sort or at least the study of these relations is confined to one chapter Mr McKay's real aim is to explain the role of France to the educated American public by the study of all the factors within his grasp His book is part of a collection which he is editing together with Mr Sumner Welles and which has been given the self explanatory title of *American Foreign Policy Library* The other books in the series are entitled *The United States and China* *The United States and Scandinavia* *The United States and the Near East* and so on and the significance of the titles is the same in every instance—what the United States should know of the role and place in international life of the countries or groups of countries studied It is finally possible to imagine—and it would not be such a very extravagant flight of fancy—area studies being commissioned by the Defence Ministry or the Foreign Affairs Ministry of this or that country with a militarist or imperialist aim

It is thus clear that an area study is essentially a contribution to the study of international relations The expression international relations should not of course be taken in its narrow sense which would limit its content to the

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economic financial and monetary relations in all their forms ranging from emigration or immigration cultural relations to psychological warfare with reciprocal influence in art and literature to patents or indeed in tourist dealings as in the export of films or the sale of patents or indeed in tourist travel All these forms of international relations are obviously to a great extent interdependent though each has its own aspects and a certain autonomy

In the objective study of these relations in the wider sense there are several stages to be distinguished The first is the accumulation of materials which will be very varied sought from the most diverse sciences and disciplines and as carefully selected as possible There is room for a study of the methodology of this selection and for a criticism *a priori* and *a posteriori* of the value of these materials but this is not the place for such a task Under the heading of what is here called accumulation of materials could come such enquiries as a study of the influence of banks and business circles on the foreign policy of a country at various moments in its history a study of the influence of American films on the psychology of different peoples according to the circulation of the former and the level of culture of the latter or again a study of the development and conquests of a language or a religion at the expense of other languages or other religions and so on Needless to say every science plays its part in this accumulation of material though only what is useful to the understanding of international relations is taken into account This will avoid any confusion between this first phase of the work and the compilation of a universal encyclopedia

The second stage is the study of all the phenomena concerning a given territory or group of territories so as to distinguish the fundamental data and the accidental data explaining the international life of this geographical area This is the purpose of area studies To define the place (static point of view) and the role (dynamic point of view) of an area in international relations in fact to establish which are the fundamental and enduring and which the contingent and accidental data that explain the relations of this area with the rest of the world

The third stage consists in working out a theory of international relations as a whole that is to say in finding the fundamental data which explain these relations in general independently of geographical areas This phase will normally take the form of a study of world wide phenomena such as nationalism colonialism and imperialism It will also include an examination of the general influences which affect international relations and of their respective value—influences of political of the geographical background of

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In any case we can define the exact place of the area study in this general perspective. It uses the material supplied by scientists in widely differing branches of study systematically selecting and co-ordinating the data in relation to a given geographical area. We regard this as the second stage—a necessary but yet incomplete stage—in the study of international relations. For the specialist in a particular science who has supplied the data (first stage) an area study goes beyond his subject in necessitating recourse to other disciplines yet it pins him down to a very definite geographical area. For the theorist of international relations (third stage) it is a vital but only an isolated element a general theory which if it is to be fully worked out requires the findings of many area studies.

## II

As we have seen the ultimate aim of the area study is to determine the role and place of a given geographical area in international relations by shedding light on fundamental and accidental data. The first problem of method then is obviously the choice of the geographical area to be studied.

In the case of a study of regional geography where the character of a region is explained in terms of its physical and human make up there are many different ways of achieving unity of approach. The French geography school following the example of Vidal de la Blache, De Martonne and Demangeon has produced such a wealth of these regional studies as to establish clearly the soundest principles for the selection of regions for study. Demangeon's *Picardy* the first famous example of its kind is the study of a historical region rather than of a region whose unity is constituted by natural features. On the other hand physical geography is the central theme of the works on Oisans by Allix and Vercors by Vidal de la Blache and on Limousin by Perpillon. Hydrographical and human factors together form the unity of Dion's study of the valley of the Loire. On a larger scale Augustin Bernard concentrates on the present political setting in his works on Algeria and Morocco.

The approach is very different when the aim is not to explain the character of a region but the relations of a territory with neighbouring territories and with the world at large. Demangeon's and De Martonne's works on France which supplement one another form a vast and comprehensive study of regional geography and can more or less afford to ignore the rest of the world. But Earle and McKay in the works mentioned above study France only for the purpose of clarifying its relations with the rest of the world. The aim of an area study then is to study a network of relations and the extent to which an inside knowledge of the territory under consideration explains these relations. For their full explanation we should need to be able to demonstrate how other territories in turn influence the territory under consideration. This would presuppose as many area studies as there are territories. Such an

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Since we have to do with international law we may lay down as a first principle of consideration must be on the scale of the State territory<sup>1</sup> on the scale of the unit of political administration. Where a State is concerned there is no difficulty in applying this rule. For France for instance none of its provinces plays an independent part in international relations. Neither Brittany, Auvergne nor even Alsace has any foreign political, cultural activity or economic life that can be isolated from the highly centralized unit constituted by France. France may be partly explained by the existence and individuality of Brittany, Auvergne and Alsace and many other provinces as well but in international relations France alone is a separate entity. This is equally true of States with a federal structure such as Switzerland or the United States of America. It is more difficult, and in some cases impossible to grasp the individuality of a non-metropolitan territory. At present, it is difficult to conceive of French Somaliland as a separate entity or individuality since it is a small sparsely populated territory of purely strategic and economic importance. But in many other cases this individuality is quite obvious. Tunisia and Morocco even though under the protectorate system they are closely dependent on Metropolitan France so far as purely foreign policy is concerned (in both cases the Resident General under the Protectorate Treaty acts as the Minister for Foreign Affairs) none the less have their own individuality in economic, cultural and even political life. Much the same applies to Algeria although it has become a far more integral part of metropolitan France.

We may therefore take it that the first case suitable for an area study is that of a dependent or independent territory with a sufficiently pronounced individuality to enable it to play its own part in international relations taken in the broader sense. This concept of individuality is naturally not very clear cut and there are borderline cases. If we regard Russian Turkestan as a territory attached to a metropolis can we say that for all its vast size its wealth and population it plays its own part in external relations independently of Soviet policy? That would be hard to concede considering Turkestan's close dependence, facilitated by an authoritarian régime by the dictatorship of one party and by the fact that it borders on the Soviet Union. The Ukraine and White Russia which in theory are self-governing so far as foreign policy is concerned and have their own Ministries of Foreign Affairs have never shown the slightest inclination to adopt a different political line from the Union. However the three are groups of Ukrainian and White Russian emigrants who are actively lending weight to the theory that their home countries have at least a potential individuality of their own.

To determine whether a dependent territory has an individuality of its own we may therefore take a simple rule of thumb which I shall put in this way: a dependent territory has an individuality as soon as some of its inhabitants play an international relations taken in the broader sense (political, economic, demographic, cultural, etc.) a part that is clearly independent of the authority over them and perceptible in general international relations. By adopting this criterion we come to the conclusion that Jibuti is too small a settlement for an area study that the Ukraine and Turkestan have a barely perceptible individuality so that in these two special cases it would be

<sup>1</sup> I drop this terminology used by Jean Gauthier in *La politique des Etats et le droit international* self-governing territories.

preferable to make an area study for the U S S R as a whole<sup>1</sup> but that Tunisia is suitable for such a study

We have hitherto considered only the minimum area for a study but there is nothing to prevent—in fact everything to recommend—studies of geographical areas embracing several States or territories Take for instance, French North Africa if we make three area studies one for Morocco another for Algeria and a third for Tunisia we should admittedly obtain interesting results but in all probability most of the important data brought to light by the three studies would overlap The three countries in fact belong to the same geographical and climatic unit—Maghreb Their population consists of Moslem Arabs and Berbers plus a number of Jews and 10 per cent of Europeans mostly French France is the dominant cultural and economic and of course political influence as well They have much the same agricultural and mineral resources today being supplemented by rapid industrialization Each of the territories has its nationalist movement to some extent bound up with the Arab League All these factors confer upon the region a fundamental unity—though each has its own special character—which makes it easier to discern the salient features But as the study of international relations now stands only salient features are readily perceptible

In some cases it is a more difficult matter to group territories Scientists are not agreed upon the meaning of the Middle East South east Asia plainly has some degree of unity comprising as it does the countries subjected to the influence of the monsoon to which they owe their special agricultural characteristics Apart from Thailand the traditional buffer State between the French and British possessions the entire region has been colonized by the British French Dutch and Americans Save for India and Pakistan the whole of South-east Asia was overrun by the Japanese Four of its countries had puppet Japanese Governments Burma and the Philippines in 1943 and Indo China and Indonesia in 1945 India itself holds in honour the memory of Subas Chandra Bose's National Indian Army Today with the exception of British Malaya and Singapore all these countries have won their independence Yet would it be wise to make an area study comprising the Indian peninsula the Indo Chinese peninsula and the great archipelagoes? It seems preferable to deal separately with the Indian peninsula  
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Similarly for Latin America a distinction should doubtless be drawn between the Caribbean zone Portuguese America the Northern States and Argentina and Chile but this is a controversial grouping with nothing final about it Any such subdivision must needs be empirical But we can at least attempt to formulate a practical criterion—even though it has no absolute value which may help the specialist in international relations who is still feeling his way It is expedient to group a number of territories for an area

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this would seem to be the soundest method as it would dispense with unduly  
complex analyses. The desire of many Western Europeans to federate their  
countries has nothing to do with this technical consideration. It should be  
remembered that area studies are a scientific investigation and must not be  
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derlying the international life of each great European country are sufficiently  
alike to warrant any general scientific study.

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The most difficult task facing the authors of area studies is the choice of  
disciplines to which recourse must be had in order to give an adequate survey  
of the international life of the country or group of countries under consider-  
ation. Every geographical area is naturally a special case and raises its own  
particular problems. None the less a systematic study should be made  
drawing upon every study that may furnish worthwhile information. The  
safest rule then is to overlook nothing that may prove useful and for this it  
is necessary to feel oneself way. The specialists in every subject who are asked  
to contribute must be carefully guided by the director of the work who must  
needs be a specialist in international relations. Basically at the present stage  
the success of an area study depends primarily on the persons conducting it.  
Without skilful firm guidance each scientist is liable to produce a study  
excellent in itself but not quite suited to the common aim. A set of first rate  
studies may to either form a very poor area study. The analysis of facts is not  
enough. Synthesis is also needed and to achieve such synthesis in this type  
of work the first requirement is to see that each specialist produces not a study  
on its own of merely isolated interest but that he makes his contribution  
to a joint work which must lead to conclusions. The editor therefore has a  
vital part to play in ensuring unity of approach and co-ordination between  
the different parts of the work. It is strictly possible to have an area study  
written by one man as in the case of the above mentioned American Foreign  
Policy Library. Synthesis is then easier. But there is a very serious risk of many  
chapters being somewhat superficial or of the work having certain  
gaps.

Apart from this question of personal guidance a few elementary rules may  
be laid down. These subjects are of paramount importance in the study of  
international relations history geography and sociology. We cannot

here dwell at length on their use<sup>1</sup> though a few remarks are called for. History affords the only means of distinguishing between what is permanent and what is accidental in the international life of any country. It is the key explaining the interrelationship of facts and though it is neither all explanatory nor self sufficient it clearly reveals the difference between recurring factors and those that are radically new. Imagine an area study on Ireland. History shows us that from the seventeenth century to the mid nineteenth century this country had difficulty in feeding an overcrowded population. An unforeseeable climatic accident put an end to this situation or at least paved the way for its change. In 1846 the potato harvest was so meagre that it resulted in appalling famine. This started off the largest scale emigration movement in history relatively to the total size of the population. Now that Ireland has won her independence it has a far smaller population than 110 years ago. This shows how history can help us to distinguish between the permanent factors (over population and poverty) and the accidental factors (the famine of 1846-47). These two factors must be considered together in order to explain the international life of present day Ireland if only because a large number of the Irish emigrated to the United States of America and there gained an influence which is of no small account in the international.

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It is for the director of the area study to draw upon history in the country (its frontiers, economic and social history, development, the discovery or exhaustion of natural resources, the repercussions of economic and social events on the political and cultural vitality of the country, the growth and promotion of new social classes, and so on) the history of institutions showing their connexion with international life, demographic and religious history, and the history of thought. All these factors play their part—though be it noted a limited part—in an area study which is not a historical work aimed at giving a complete account of events. History only serves to show the constant and non-recurring factors and to distinguish fundamental from accidental data. Like every branch of science used in an area study, it is a means and not an end. All it does is to furnish such conclusions as the requirements of the subject call for. It is for the director of the work to determine in consultation with the specialists what those requirements are.

For geography, it is enough to apply the international life of the area to the geographical features of the area.

For geography it is enough to apply the principles outlined above. The international life of a territory or group of territories is obviously moulded by physical human and economic geography but it is no less obvious that these factors play only a limited part and cannot explain everything. Human beings quite independently of the geographic setting are responsible for many important phenomena. Accordingly the area study should not be a purely geographic enquiry—interesting though this may be—with little bearing on the study of international relations. All geography will do is to furnish very clear cut conclusions as to the relationship between the spatial considerations emerging from geographical studies and the international life of the area under consideration. It will be noted that it is usually human beings rather than nature that account for the differentiation between territories. An artificial historical frontier such as that separating Canada from the United

States of America has always facilitated commercial contacts and movements of population. The no less artificial historical frontier separating France from Germany and Belgium has always been a national barrier. France has coloured all France. France has been the centre.

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phenomenon which for us is of no importance except with reference to other issues such as France's steel requirements. What is its place in world output? In relation to German output? (the political importance of this economic phenomenon may thus be analysed)

The difficulty in geography as in history is to choose exactly what is significant. Here again, the responsibility rests with the director of the work assisted by the specialists contributing to it.

Sociology is of comparable value for area studies and only its underdeveloped state prevents its being used on the same scale as the two above mentioned sciences. The study of social groups should provide a yardstick of their political and cultural influence, their receptivity or impermeability to outside influence and their role in international economic life. The special value of sociological investigation in an area study is that instead of having the given territory treated as one great homogeneous block (which would assuredly be a distortion of the facts) it enables a distinction to be drawn between various categories and fine shades. All forms of sociological research may prove useful. For France for instance, Gabriel Le Bras' works on religious sociology reveal the relative importance of religious factors in political and cultural life. The works on electoral sociology under the guidance of André Siegfried are of the utmost interest.

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concepts of group differentiation. Iconography implies the whole body of stereotypes but they must be supplemented by other studies of national psychology whose conclusions may be profitably recorded in the area study. History, geography and sociology then must form the core of any area study. The director of the work must above all be a specialist in international relations should have a good grounding in these three disciplines. But there is obviously an infinite variety of other disciplines which must be called into play according to the geographic area under consideration, e.g. anthropology, linguistics, literature, arts, a study of economic and social thought, religious science, even climatology, zoology and botany or in quite another field constitutional law, civil and administrative law and so on.

An important article by I. Koles, 'L'Évolution des États', in 'Revue de Géographie', 1934, pp. 69-80. Cf. in this connection the article by A. Siegfried, 'L'Évolution des États', in 'Revue de Géographie', 1934, pp. 69-80. Problem: Contemporary Area Studies. See 'International Social Science Bulletin', 1934, 1, 1, 1-10. See also 'U.S.S.R. K.A.W.I. Review', 1934, 1, 1, 1-10.

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Their choice is a complex matter demanding of the director of the work wide culture discrimination and a sound general knowledge of the country being studied. Anthropology for instance is of little importance in explaining the international life of France in which a fundamental part is played by currents of thought. This approach could doubtless be reversed for a study of the Caribbean zone. Similarly the politics and cultural life of the Arab League countries are incomprehensible without a thorough study of Moslem theology whereas in South Africa religious life is a less important factor in international relations than racial problems. Apart from the three basic disciplines I feel that some degree of empiricism is inevitable at the present stage in selecting the branches of science to be used in an area study. Stricter criteria may possibly emerge as progress is made with such studies. For the time being we may rest content with an imperfect but workable solution.

Two main conclusions I feel follow from this necessarily cursory survey. The first is that the director of an area study plays a vital part in selecting the geographic area for study and in determining the sciences that may be most profitably used. He will discuss with each contributor exactly what is expected of him. This requires sound knowledge of the region being studied as well as complete open mindedness to save him attempting to foist a *priori* conclusions on the specialists and thus jeopardize the objectivity of the whole work. As in the case of the collection *Modern France* mentioned above it would even be preferable for the different authors to arrive occasionally at contradictory results. This proves that Professor Earle who directed the work was careful not to impose his views. The second conclusion is that the area study must be conducted by a team whether each of the team members writes part of the work himself or leaves it to a single author. The ability to discern the basic factors underlying the international life of the country presupposes full awareness of the complexity of the problems involved—a complexity that is revealed by the numerous points of contact between the various branches of study used. These points of contact are best realized by discussing the problems together if the director himself a specialist in international relations keeps in close touch with his team of scientists each of whom is a specialist in one branch of study but familiar with the study or international relations. It will also be seen from this hasty survey that the area study is a new form of enquiry whose importance is gradually emerging though its exact limits have not yet been clearly defined hence this attempt to clarify the principles of method is necessarily tentative. My primary aim was to give a summary and preliminary synthesis on the basis of the various works published with their encouraging results and imperfection which in themselves are illuminating. Such a synthesis will be useful in so far as it stimulates reactions and further work along the same lines. The scientific and human value of a better knowledge of foreign countries is so obvious that any attempt however humble to improve this knowledge is bound to be well worth while.

# AREA STUDIES AND THE STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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A few studies both historically and analytically form a part of that field of knowledge which is called international relations. The type of area study which is prevalent today owes its existence to the practical need to prepare members of the armed forces for service in foreign countries during the second world war. Those who were expected to take responsible positions in foreign countries had to get acquainted as quickly as possible with the language, geography, culture and history of those countries. Not only were these courses successful in their immediate purpose but they also gave the students intellectual advantages which are a foreign area not in itself a career.

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In order to understand what area studies thus conceived are able to contribute to the study of international relations it is first necessary to understand the basic problems to which the recognition of international relations and area studies as academic disciplines has given rise. This investigation will show that these two novel academic disciplines must solve the same basic problems. If one wants to put the issue in epigrammatic and therefore oversimplified form one might say that the main problem as yet unsolved that confronts these two academic disciplines is that they have not been able to acquire intellectual discipline. They have no intellectually valid focus which could give unity to their intellectual endeavours and they have no common method by which the results of their investigations could be tested.

These deficiencies have been as obvious in the study of international relations as they are in area studies. They are the more obvious in the latter since area studies have made integration the main claim for recognition as an academic discipline. Area studies as a discipline in the process of showing—and the most mature discussion of the problems shows it with particular clarity—that they stand and fill with the precise formulation of a relevant problem to which different academic disciplines are to contribute. If area studies can demonstrate in practice that success in international studies area or otherwise depends upon the precise definition of a common problem and the sharp focus of all relevant research upon that problem they will indeed have made an outstanding contribution to the study of international relations.

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belongs to all countries. Anything one wants to then becomes international. From this point of view seasickness is an international fact: not only does one experience it on all oceans but there are societies against that disease and one can conceive of an international league whose purpose it is to do research and compare the methods with which to combat the disease. Yet the question remains outside our field of inquiry until one concerns oneself with the conclusion of an international convention obligating vessels to equip themselves with certain medicines which are recognized as necessary for the protection against seasickness.

I beg your pardon for having chosen that imaginary example. I wanted only to indicate the need for a narrow definition of international studies.

The organization of academic teaching and research in international relations has largely reflected the vagueness and eclecticism of the theoretical conception of international relations as an academic discipline. There has been a general tendency to divide the field of international relations into a number of subdivisions whose common denominator is their transcendence of national boundaries either geographically or functionally. These subdivisions we have selected from the traditional academic disciplines either *in toto* such as international law and international economics or rearranged through the selection of individual courses taken from different disciplines. Thus all the courses which for instance had a reference to Russia in their title would be grouped under the area heading of Russia.

It could not have passed unnoticed that the intellectual unity of an academic field thus established was bound to be of a most superficial nature and that while the occurred real integration and cross-fertilization among several academic disciplines credit was due to the creative process occurring in the minds of outstanding students rather than to the academic organization of the field. Attempts have therefore been made in recent years to give international relations the unity of an academic discipline by buttressing the eclectic organization of the field with a general or core course or number of courses which are supposed to present the distinctive characteristics of international relations as an academic discipline. This core generally covers the field of international law, international organization, international politics, international economics, international geography, American and European diplomatic history with such additions as meet the preferences of individual institutions. Most textbooks in the field reflect the eclectic character of this core. For such a core if it has no focus other than that of the international character of international relations cannot help being as eclectic and disparate as the field itself.

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interests history international law and political reform It is not by accident that the first two occupants of the first chair of international politics the one which was founded in 1919 at the University of Wales were distinguished historians Professors Zimmern and Webster There can of course be no doubt that knowledge of history and more particularly of diplomatic history forms an indispensable element of international relations but as shall be shown later in this paper while the student of international relations must have a thorough knowledge of history his intellectual interest is not identical with that of the historian

Obviously the intellectual interest of international relations is in the present and the future rather than in the past and especially in the inter-war years that interest was conceived in terms of international law International relations were considered to move on two different levels the legal one which presented the rules by which States were supposed to act and the empirical one which showed how they actually did act in view of the rules of international law Thus general history diplomatic history and international law became three cornerstones of the study of international relations

The fourth cornerstone of the study of international relations is less easy to identify For it is formed by the aspirations for a better world morally respectable in themselves but vaguely conceived and identified with whatever remedy seems to be fashionable at a particular time Thus we find that the focus of academic interest changes continuously in accordance with the preferences of public opinion centring on disarmament one day the League of Nations or the United Nations another world government or regional federation another again

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of the time on this level than on that of consciously determined responses to the situations he meets in everyday life. At first glance such a statement may seem overdrawn but only a slight consideration of the facts is necessary to dispel the illusion that conscious thought predominates in guiding behaviour.

Thus for example it is rare that reactions to any aspect of linguistic structure rise above the level of consciousness any more than does the phonemic system employed in pronouncing the words of one's language. The same is true of the meaning of these words. This frees the individual to give conscious thought to what he is going to say and makes it unnecessary for him to pay attention to the mechanisms of speech he must use in saying it. This statement also applies to music to systems of etiquette to moral codes to canons of value to aesthetic responses. These it should be noted are cultural elements in which conscious thought enters least. When it is realized that the same principle holds to some degree whenever an individual reacts to any culturally derived stimulus that does not involve the element of choice between alternatives it becomes clear to what extent the human being lives on the plane of automatic behaviour and thus how effectively he is enculturated.

Cultural responses moreover tend to represent reactions to total situations than to stimuli arising from fragmented elements of experience. This is a way of phrasing the fact that every mode of life is patterned and not haphazard that the individual units of custom the cultural traits so called that can be discerned in a culture by the student of it are in actuality interwoven into a series of interrelated groupings called cultural patterns. This patterning of culture the outer expression of its regularity in organization and functioning is the means by which a particular culture develops those special configurations that permit us to differentiate it from other cultures. In psychological terms cultural patterns are to be regarded as consensuses of the individual behaviour patterns of the members of a given group that distinguish their characteristic reactions from those of the members of other groups. On the level of the objective analysis of culture cultural patterns are to be thought of as providing the institutional framework for behaviour as when we speak of the pattern of marriage of a people or their patterns of production or distribution or their patterns of religious worship.

Besides conditioning the individual to the modes of behaviour of his group the enculturative experience creates for him a behaviour world to guide his perceptions no less than his overt acts. Time and space and distance colour and rhythm are thus culturally defined for him the continuum of nature is structured in terms of the conventions set up by his culture.<sup>1</sup> The spectrum is arbitrarily divided into colours which vary in their interpretation from society to society but for all. The gamut of the infinite physical socially acceptable intervals or the division of time is guided by linguistic devices employed to mark off one socially conceived unit from another. The endless merging of natural phenomena comes to be subsumed under categories that make the world comprehensible to the individual and permit the character of reality to be transmitted from one generation to the next.

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o the techniques he will employ in drinking or the ideals of beauty that will stimulate him sexually.

In terms of the bio-psychic requirements of the organism cultural imperatives represent derived needs but the responses to them are none the less powerful because they are derived and not primary. One of the outstanding characteristics of the human infant is the generalized character of his behaviour. His motor habits are unconditioned.

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As the patterns of motor behaviour and emotional responses become more sharply structured in the growing individual so does the motivational system. Freud and his followers have demonstrated how large a role the motivational forces that determine the behaviour of the individual play in shaping his personality structure. From a developmental point of view their findings have demonstrated how early in his existence the resulting pattern of responses manifest in later life are laid down. As one psychologist has phrased it: "While personal histories differ in details most of them suggest that a predominant motive is established in childhood largely through the influence of social contacts. As the individual gets older one activity after another may be taken up while others which no longer contribute to the satisfaction of the predominant motive or which contribute less than the new activity are dropped."

The emphasis here is on the individual but if we approach the question from a cross-cultural point of view we find in overt behaviour as in these underlying psychological drives that individual variation is limited by a culturally defined framework. Though the problem of the degree to which these fundamental aspects of the human personality structure are culturally influenced has been studied only for a relatively short time our growing knowledge of how the individual responds to the cultural situation into which he is born has forced acceptance of the principle that culture is a major factor in shaping responses on all levels.

For our purpose the key in the formulation that has been cited is that the predominant motives which rule the lives of individuals are established largely through the influence of social contacts. Into cross-cultural terms this brings into play the factor of consensus. For since methods of infant care and child training will within the limits of individual and regional variation, follow reasonably consistent patterns in achieving the enculturation of the individual it follows that each member of a given society will have been exposed to similar experiences in the early years of his existence when so much of his personality structure is under formation. The implications of this fact take us over the entire range of problems that are contained in the

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Whatever the approach to the problem of motivation it is agreed that one of its important functions is to aid the organism in reaching adjustment of the kind which may be thought of as the psychological equivalent of the physiological state termed homeostasis. In terms of gestalt psychology this represents the achievement of equilibrium in the total field situation. It is obvious that the needs of the organism figure prominently in determining these reactions as where the individual is motivated to look for food or to find shelter from extreme heat or cold or to seek sexual gratification. Yet in the final analysis there is relatively little of human behaviour in the precise terms in which this behaviour is manifested that can be immediately attributed to this source. Even in such elementary responses as those to food or thirst or sex the intervening term of social convention always enters.

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One of the major aspects of our problem has been phrased by Moore.<sup>1</sup> What kinds of circumstances will induce workers to leave traditional modes of production and enter modern economic activity and what additional circumstances are necessary to secure skills and services essential to the industrial mode of production with its attendant specialization? Let us extend this formulation by phrasing some of the ancillary questions that the study of economic change in its broadest ramifications involves.

A comprehensive approach must include a consideration of how economic expressions of value are re-ordered into terms of money where money did not previously exist or to currency where the tokens used in effecting exchange were not pecuniary ones. It should take into account how people are introduced to the concept of saving as related to the allocation of income so as to provide capital funds for industrial development with future rather than immediate return the end in view. New attitudes towards the acquisition of unfamiliar goods of all kinds must be probed and how patterns of the validation of social position by the consumption of valuable goods in excess of daily needs are changed. The attitudes toward the degree of specialization under industrial development that so materially alters the satisfactions a worker derives from participation in an industrial order based on the handicraft system must also be analysed.

One caution arising out of the record of past research should be drawn. This concerns the tendency undoubtedly a reflection of the unconsciously enculturated ethnocentrism of the student to overweight the power of the industrial tradition to impose itself on technological and economic orientations of peoples who live under less complex systems. Where the approach is primarily from the economic or technological point of view this is understandable in view of the differences in complexity and achievement between the systems of non industrial peoples and that of Euro-America. This difference is demonstrably so great that without an appreciation of the

<sup>1</sup> b. L. O. S. U. I. g. What is often not taken into account is the fact that

Walter E. Moore, *Industrialization and Labor: Social Aspects of Economic Development* Ithaca and New York,

simple statement of everyday observation that peoples differ from one another. These problems however despite their importance have scarcely been more than adumbrated and because of their complexity face the student with methodological difficulties that are far from resolved and which therefore need not enter into this discussion.

What is important is that the common elements in the enculturative experience of the members of a given group set up particular drives that characterize the responses of those who make up its adult components as against equally characteristic responses of the members of other groups. It is out of this fact that derived needs however expressed in a society come to carry the same conviction to its members as those which are patently determined by biological requirement. This explains in large measure why the ends sought by men and women of a particular society are patterned since from a cross cultural point of view these are no more than socially sanctioned responses to prevalent motivational drives. The configuration of common motives and goals that dominate the behaviour of the members of a group thus become the equivalent of what in the analysis of culture has been termed cultural focus the sum of the institutionalized forms of a culture which in commanding the interests of a people represents those of its components which most highly motivate the people and in which the goals toward which their activities are directed bring the richest rewards as culturally defined.

An approach to the problem of motivation that has significant implications for the cross cultural analysis of problems such as those with which we are concerned here is found in the concept of the dynamic system advanced by Krech<sup>1</sup> to account for the continuity of characteristic responses found in the individual. He holds first that the so called motivational and cognitive attributes will be involved in every one of our experiences and behaviour and that the so called motivational attributes of any experience will be intimately related to all other attributes and will change as they change. Continuing he states: If we wish to speak of a hunger motive for example we must simultaneously speak of the so called perceptual cognitive memorial and other attributes of the experience. My hunger is not the same as yours because my Dynamic System *re* food and eating are not the same as yours. And neither you nor I can have any pure sex motive—they are both sullied by cognitive factors. Therefore since Dynamic Systems are relative enduring structures it follows that the given system of an individual functions in any situation in which he finds himself so that behaviour will show both variability and consistency in its motivational and emotional and intellectual aspects.

It is apparent that if we accept this postulate that knowing and wanting form a single psychological unit and agree that in cultural terms both knowledge and wants are established for the individual through his enculturative experience we have here a principle of some importance for cross cultural study. This is especially the case where we are concerned with economic factors in cultural change since here both means and ends must be taken into account where either the technological system or the system of production distribution and exchange or both are involved. At this point we return to the concept of cultural focus which as we have seen is the

<sup>1</sup> D. K. Krech, *Cognitive Motivation in Psychological Theory*, in *Current Trends in Psychological Theory*, W. D. Denny et al., Pittsburgh, 1955, p. 3.

industrial scene? What precisely is the effect of the colour bar in industry as manifest in unequal wage scales segregation in jobs differing approaches to unionization differentials in housing? What are the relations of these to the culture-bar that arises out of the differences in opportunity to reach those standards of living and education set for persons deemed fully prepared to action of affairs? Must we not also recognize the need of the Europeans in the scene emphasis laid on the need to concentrate on the position of the native people

It is illuminating to read the exposition of the total problem as exemplified in the approach to the practical issue of housing Africans in the city of Elizabethville that has been given by Grévisse.<sup>1</sup> Here full recognition is accorded the importance of taking pre-established attitude and social position of the European and Africans alike fully into consideration

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Let us briefly review the theoretical scheme that has been presented in these pages. The principal concepts with which we have dealt are motivation and cultural pattern. Motivation even on the biological level we have seen to be structured by the cultural setting in which behaviour occurs. Enculturation on the process of cultural conditioning provides the mechanism of learning which permits the individual to act in accordance with the accepted modes of his society with the promptness and decisiveness that so largely comes from the automatic character of his responses. These patterned reactions thus both satisfy the requirements of his primary biological needs and secondary drives and make possible his physical well-being and psychological adjustment.

Every culture however is made up of aggregates of patterns. These consist of cultural elements which to the members of a society appear as integrated units. Behaviour thus takes on its configurational quality and as objectively discernible presents overt responses to the internalization of culturally patterned experiences. From this it becomes apparent that the study of any segment of a culture without the exclusion of other elements or of the psychological base makes for a distorted view whether on the level of cultural stimulus or socially patterned response. Hence analysing economic or technological

Grévisse, Le Centre Extra-Colonial d'Elizabethville. *Bulletin trimestriel du Centre d'Etudes de Psychologie Sociale et Géographiques (CEPSI)* no. 5 5 p. 3

we are here confronted with a question of ultimate values where material gain may be discounted despite the very considerable pull of positive incentives that Moore has documented in his research

Certainly it is much simpler to study the acceptance of change than the rejection of new ways. One of the most difficult problems faced by students of any aspect of cultural change is the methodological one of how to bring the pre-established elements in the scene into proper proportion in analyzing the resultant situation. The lesson may be in the way of being learned in the hard school of experience. We need not go to the various large scale schemes to see this. We need only take the case of the African expert in the

the cultural life of a village. In terms of the strife engendered between the women of a village were as vigorous as they were unexpected. We hear much of the disorganization which industrial development produces and especially how those who have received European education tend to lose their cultural anchorage and drift at a loss dissatisfied with the old because they have rejected it with the new because they cannot attain it. Yet the number of educated Africans is not small who would agree with the sentiment expressed by such a person concerning one product of the pre-existing technological system its wood carving. If we don't take steps to save these things we will have nothing. We'll be like people who don't have anything they can call their own culture.

This does not mean that undue stress should be laid on the force of these pre-existing patterns for this would be as unrealistic as is the prevalent tendency to neglect them. Thus in the regions where a positive appreciation of established custom is found one also is confronted with the phenomena of urbanization people leaving their villages to live in towns and accepting the new discipline of employment in industry or trade or going to mine compounds where the reorientations in customary behaviour are even more extensive. New prestige patterns develop under these situations that must be studied otherwise for example why in the mines of the Katanga would the young men prefer training as mechanics and artisans rather than as masons and carpenters? Or for example how do we explain the reorientation in motivating factors that causes a miner on the Rand to leave the security of the mine compound for the competitive labour market of secondary industry? Beyond this what motivations in this segment of the South African economy lie behind the turnover in labour of those who have apparently accepted this method of earning a living a turnover that is one of the highest in the world?

The variety of responses to the developing industrial scene coupled with the differences in the pre-existing cultures and the range of different economic policies and practical measures to implement them to which they are exposed is what makes of Africa such an excellent laboratory for the study of our problem. In studying it the factors which are operative in most of the continent give the controls essential for the comparative analysis of attitudes that accompany the changing economic no less than the changing social and political scene. Or again granting acceptance of certain aspects of the new what is the role of the non-economic habitudes in pre-existing custom particularly those that concern the supernatural what forms do they take in situations dominated by the scientific approach that marks industrialization how do they influence the attitudes of Africans who come to participate in the

best. But I am not trying to cover the whole range of phenomena presented by these diverse societies. What I hope to do is to set out some of the main considerations involved when money is introduced to an economy in which it has formerly not been known or when there is a sudden expansion of the uses to which it can be put. This may indicate a framework of propositions for argument and research. The presentation is helped by the great variations found in the region. On the one hand there are relatively simple economic systems such as those of Tikopia or of the central highlands of New Guinea to which money is just being introduced; on the other there is the relatively sophisticated economy of peasant Malays or Indonesians in which money of various types has been known and used for centuries in some transactions.

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peasant producer has no interest in a technical device but only in the income effects to be derived from it. Just as conservatism in the adoption of traditional tools may be in part a compound of aesthetic and economic use and quality of results and so the welcome given to a new tool because of its better technical quality.

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the novel skills which can be developed with it and the social esteem which its control may bring. But on the whole, though these elements may influence the adoption of a new technical device, they are marginal to its permanent establishment. In the long run it is the effects upon incomes and consumption levels, both experienced and anticipated, that seem to be of major importance. In a peasant economy technological progress is not conceived as a normal desirable end towards which special sectors of economic effort should be

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#### CHARACTERISTICS AND EXCHANGE VARIANTS IN PEASANT ECONOMY

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When we look at our resources in the way of available data we find that our knowledge of the cultures of the non Euro-American is well advanced but that comparable knowledge of the behaviour of people is not. The method of investigation which will reveal the psychological patternings that underlie the behaviour individual and institutionalized that has been observed and reported. To those studies in personality type that have dominated the cross cultural approach to the study of human behaviour be added intensive research in perception and motivation and shape the resources of the psycho ethnographic approach then we may anticipate not only that we will move towards a more basic knowledge of human behaviour but that we will control and interpret more effectively the data that are essential to provide adequate scientific guidance for drawing and implementing sound policy in solving the problems of individual and social adjustment.

## MONEY, WORK AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN INDO-PACIFIC ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

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My main object in this paper is to examine the social effects of the introduction or expansion of monetary exchange in a peasant economic system. An alteration of this kind in the technical media of exchange need not *a priori* have of itself any social concomitants. It is theoretically possible for the appearance of a novel type of exchange medium such as money or for an enlargement of the amounts of money available and of its uses to have effect in economic terms alone facilitating the circulation of goods and their production without making any substantial changes in the social position of the people involved. In fact however this is very unlikely—social values usually tend to be attached to the new income or consumption effects. And even if income and consumption effects are not large the new experiences of exchange may be enough to make a difference.

Firstly the aim of this paper is analytical not ethnographic. I am taking my examples from the Indo-Pacific region because that is the one I know

tion of human choices. When we speak of the social implications of technological change we do not mean that the total process is inevitable. We mean only that an initial acceptance or commitment in the technological field is likely to be followed by certain results. Some of these may be foreseen but others may not. Yet it is these unforeseen results which are often of greatest importance. They are often undesired. Being unexpected no provision is made for them. In the long term rather than short term they may be the trend.

Several kinds of systems are found according to the degree to which money of Western type is used. There are those few systems where money is not used and purchasing power is provided by barter—cloth, mats and shell goods. There are those systems still common in the Pacific where Western money is used for a limited range of transactions but where other articles of more traditional type also still have purchasing power. Here and there is variation. Some systems, as on the south coast of New Guinea, using money for most exchanges of goods and services, reserve their treasures for certain particularly important occasions. Others, as on the Gazelle peninsula, may have a dual or multiple exchange medium. So in the Rabaul market one may see fruit and vegetables sold indifferently for tobacco, for cowrie shells or for cash.<sup>2</sup> Again there are the systems common in Indonesia, the Philippines, Malaya, where money is the general medium for a range of transactions comparable with those of a Western rural economy. The points of significance in these distinctions are the types of services and goods for the purchase of which money can be employed and the level or range of purchase which can be undertaken. Every society has its conventions about which kinds of goods and services are proper for calculation and exchange in monetary terms and which are not. One of the important implications of the introduction or enlargement of a money system in an economy is the re-estimation of goods and particularly of services which is likely to follow. This may mean a re-orientation of the moral values of the society. One of the most meaningful aspects of the coming of a money economy may be said to be the introduction of a medium of exchange with external as well as internal purchasing power. Reference to an external standard is likely to tend at once to a revision of internal estimations and by offering hitherto unknown or unrealizable alternatives to alter conventional placings of resources. Similar results are likely to follow from a rapid expansion of the monetary medium, as by the opening up of new markets for labour or commodities.

#### EFFECTS OF INTRODUCTION TO A WAGE ECONOMY

Let us now examine in more detail what the economic and social results are likely to be in a community where money with an external purchasing power

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interest, wages and management rewards, for example. The scale of producing  
units and the volume of product for any single unit are comparatively small.  
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and are often kinship based or kinship linked, and in which local religious  
cults tend to strengthen the community in many of its operations. Despite  
the great variation in scale and in sophistication such characteristics are  
common throughout the region.

Such a system is conservative in the sense that there is rarely a wish to reject  
radically any of its major institutional elements<sup>2</sup> and substitute others. But  
there may be no stubborn refusal to adopt new items. There may be indeed an  
enthusiastic acceptance of them with the implication that they are additions  
to the economic and cultural stock of a system which retains its basic familiar  
character. So subtly have new crops entered the economy of Indo-Pacific  
communities that it is almost impossible to reconstruct any indigenous  
production scheme for agriculture. The adoption in recent times of the  
drought-resisting manioc in Tikopia, for instance, has made significant changes  
in the crop cycle and is likely to alter correspondingly the system of land use  
and tenure. The substitution of steel axe for stone axe in the interior of New  
Guinea—a process now almost complete—seems to have led to greatly increased  
felling of primary forest with alteration of the balance in the provision of  
natural soil cover and increase in danger of soil erosion and loss of fertility.  
Thus while the impetus to social change may be said to be given by a  
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# ECONOMIC MOTIVATIONS AND STIMULATIONS

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has not previously operated or has operated at only a very low volume of transactions. For simplicity take first situations of money acquisition through wage payments as in a plantation economy. What money may do in such circumstances is

It may introduce an element of uncertainty into the socio-economic operations of some people and reduce the relative level of skill of those not regularly handling money.

Some money but handled with admittedly imperfect knowledge of its relations and the price levels of commodities within their economic universe. They had to rely on others to undertake transactions for them. By a few old men and many women there was still no real understanding of the nature of money and its operations. This situation can be paralleled by the observation of Odaka and his colleagues on the

sums involved were small and limited. But they were not able to figure out the values with ease; many women and even some of the elders could not distinguish 5 sen from 10 sen and they confused sen and yen. All this obviously gives an economic advantage and probably a status advantage too to those who take on an interpretative or middleman's role.<sup>1</sup>

The introduction of money from wage labour may result in a temporary inflation or pseudo inflation in that the amounts of goods and services for which it is regarded as suitable equivalent may be relatively small and knowledge of the market imperfect. Hence prices may be uneven as regards alternatives, rise erratically and give windfall profits to some people in positions of temporary advantage.

Money wages may reduce margins of skill, ability and responsibility between workers in respect of traditional types of tasks. For example, on a plantation or in similar types of work where there is little differentiation made, the common payment of flat rates per month means that all workers of the same classification get the same income irrespective of skill. (Steadiness and energy may lead to retention in employment however.) In the traditional economic principles of equal sharing in teamwork the

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On the other hand while the substitution of money for the traditional means  
of remuneration may enlarge the economic field it will not necessarily do so  
or do so to the extent expected. In the scheme of preferences the attractions  
of traditional non wage employment may still be higher than subsistence  
agriculture etc. or cash-cropping. The Lio of Ha nan worked in the iron mines  
because they were drafted not for the money. To the question as to which  
type of work they preferred they all answered farming. And when asked if  
their mine pay were increased greatly to two or three or even twelve times  
what they were receiving in addition to their food they still stated a prefer-  
ence for farm work. Again while the conventional notion about earning  
money is that one gets as much of it as one can the backward sloping supply  
curve of labour is often found with the advent of a monetary reward for work.  
The worker is used to having a certain level of consumption goods as his  
target and so long as he can reach this he is satisfied. So an increase in the  
rates of wages may result not in an increase of the amount of work done but  
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the sago pith. If a young man has earned enough money for clothes and customary presents to girls, he stops felling and rasping sago palms. The hardest workers are married men with young families or landless orphans at marriageable age.<sup>1</sup> For them the

The structure of the community is accessible to their elders in quantities far greater than the traditional economic organization can handle. The effects must not be overestimated. It is only today when the young man works for money this only provides the initial impetus in dynamic situations. Moreover, as Hogbin points out, proximity to a market may make a great difference to the situation. In Busama, which is near the small market town of Lae, older men can earn small sums themselves and this mitigates the challenge of the young men.

This alteration in income structure again may not necessarily involve a corresponding alteration in the wealth structure of the community. This depends on how far three elements operate:

1. Traditional arrangements for control of income may still be recognized which secure to the senior members of the community the major handling of what income is obtained. In many Pacific societies, returning plantation labourers hand over to their father or other senior kinsman a considerable portion of their wages. Hogbin notes that among Busama men on the north coast of New Guinea, it was the usual practice to give to the guardian (father or uncle) about half the wages brought back, about one quarter to another uncle, and to divide the remainder among the other members of the community. In 1952, marking up a sh hooks, etc. E. is devoted to each of these—to the boxes of other chiefs as well as that of his own clan chief—and they amounted to a substantial tribute.
2. New forms of arrangement may still retain the general control by the senior members of the community or the community interest in the use of the new wealth. A case of this is the collection of funds by Toaripi people (of southern New Guinea) working for wages in Port Moresby to help finance the purchase and transport of a trading schooner to carry their copra.<sup>4</sup>
3. Competing attractions for the use of income may tend to drain off some of the accumulated income. In some societies the pressure of the demands of young women results in large scale spending on female consumption goods which reduce the amounts of money taken back home. Or again

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if savings banks or savings societies have managed to be established the accumulation of capital there may mean that the alteration of the wealth structure takes a long time to become visible or to have its effect on production or consumption

Other effects of a wage labour system may include a reduction in the independence of women whose incomes now may be comparatively reduced or who may have to rely more directly on their menfolk for cash to buy what they want. It may mean also the creation of more vulnerable categories of persons—in old folk, deformed, etc. Since they cannot be enlisted for labour they are thrown more on the resources of others, especially if there is a reduction in the traditional forms of employment or if monetary standards tend also to be applied to employment within the society.

## COMMODITY PRODUCTION AND TRADE

1. If especially at the rates generally prevailing in India—  
 capital resources  
 in the economic  
 and social structure. Commodity production on the other  
 hand offers more scope. If we consider commodity marketing for cash such  
 as occurs in many parts of the region we are at once confronted with a different  
 range of motivations than for wage labour. The vegetable marketing of the  
 Malay or Bornean peasant woman may bring in only a few cents per day—an  
 income which however does allow of independent subsistence by many  
 members of vulnerable social categories such as widows or divorcees. At the  
 other end of the scale a Malay or Chinese master fisherman or vegetable  
 grower or rubber producer in New Guinea or Gambia Peninsula copra  
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 commodity produce than to the labourer since wages tend to have a direct net  
 long response to changes in raw material prices. This tends then to involve  
 a different type of selectivity in the economic process. The entrepreneur in  
 commodity production or marketing tends to emerge as an individual with  
 more direct net economic responsibilities sharper perception of economic

All interesting descriptions of processes in India have been given by J. H. Boek of the  
 C. B. S. Board of Directors in the report on the present position of labour in India.

advantage often impatient of claims of his communal obligations. On the other hand his need for initial capital may make him continue in close relation with others of the community on whom he may draw. And the need for equable relations with labour may lead him to continue in working association with kinsfolk and others in traditional patterns. There is also the tendency for the general social values of his community to weigh heavily with him especially if there be added to them additional elements resulting from inter racial competition or conflict.

Hence there is the common tendency for the entrepreneur in such conditions to operate within a local social milieu. The complex interchange of goods and services involved in the production or marketing scheme until the time when he reads the market.

If the entrepreneur is to act in the community interest it may be hard to identify the shares which go to economic functions rather than to persons. As has been often discovered book keeping in such circumstances may be a difficult task. Too literal adherence to the rules of accountancy may rob the operations of much of their spontaneity. Yet a good index of the extent to which the advent of a monetary economy has brought with it Western economic notions is the effective accounting system practised for example by some of the co-operative societies in New Guinea and elsewhere. One of the useful functions of the new entrepreneur however is to act as stimulus and example to his fellows.

One of the great problems in this whole field is that of capital formation. While commodity production and marketing offer possibilities of building up considerable wealth they may also lead to great difficulties. The operation of a monetary system with access to external consumer's markets can lead to high rates of expenditure and to the contraction of debts at a level virtually impossible in a traditional non monetary system. If there is a depression in the market the entrepreneur is in a difficult position.

In the case of the largest coconut area the debts were mainly to Chinese and Chettiar money lenders contracted in times of high prices and there was little prospect of their ever being repaid. Indebtedness is of course a great bane of the peasant everywhere and its effects are if anything increased the more the economy is related to external markets. And since so much of the indebtedness is contracted not for the financing or production but to meet consumption requirements there is little opportunity of building up capital thereby in any general fashion. When individuals enrich themselves by the sale of their produce they are often in a position to pay off their debts.

On the other hand organizations which both meet the need for capital greater than that which any individual entrepreneur can provide and yet peg the enterprise to some kind of community interest have been devised in a number of areas. Among the Maori of New Zealand co-operative organizations are of many years standing. Some establish the communal title holders of land as incorporated owners of land and give them the legal right of borrowing funds with which to develop the land in the interest of them all. Under the leadership of the late Sir Apirana Ngata a former Minister for Maori Affairs State aid was obtained for these organizations in various ways.

men has come to administer affairs like a Western business man. Enterprises of some magnitude have been the enterprises a new set of an lay down policy and

Reference to land holding raises another aspect of this problem. In many of the unsophisticated economic systems there is no free market in land. As the systems become transmuted by the advent of a money economy a market in land may develop with relative freedom of transfer often only with kin group approval. In some systems for instance

rights of transfer and transmission social groups but some limitations transmission are regulated by the courts. In such conditions a change in the social structure may be stimulated. In the attempt to gain an income from land either by personal production or by sale or lease there have been among the Maori of New Zealand and the Cook Islands, for example an intensified interest in kin ties as giving title to lands disputes over land with much litigation in the courts and a tendency in some cases for departure from traditional customs of land inheritance in favour of testamentary disposition. Apart from this there has in New Zealand

been much subsequent consolidation. There are simple non-market peasant economy type with commodity markets and markets for labour greatly increased the differentiation in the status of people and has affected the Maori social system.

small scale producers with a strongly matrilineal system of lineage and lineage leadership and with a traditional interest in the cultivation of valley rice. The advent of rubber has made for substantial changes. In summary they are these. There was of old a distinction between the ancestral land the rice plots in the valleys worked generation after generation largely by women and the new lands cleared from the jungle by men and retained by them as the product of their labour. The latter they could transmit to their sons the former were transmitted through the sisters in their own lineage and through their wives. No man could pass ancestral lands on to his son. In the clearings were grown fruit and vegetables essentially secondary in economic importance to the staple rice. Then less than half a century ago came the cultivation of rubber. Soon the economic balance of production tended to be upset. It was far more profitable to produce rubber than rice.

Furthermore. On the whole the tendency has been for the interest of the men to be strengthened in the control of such lands.



Moreover the more general tendency has been to promote a change in the inheritance system from matrilineal to patrilineal. This has not been so in the lands classed definitely as ancestral (*tanah pesaka*). It has tended to become manifest elsewhere.

In the Malay Peninsula and Sumatra, the Islamic grounds as well with the local *adat* (customs) furthermore these forces together were in support of and to some degree assisted by the interest of the ruler and his kinsfolk a group of patrilineal descent rules and opposed in some respect to the matrilineal descent leaders by whom they were surrounded and on whom they rely in the body politic as a whole. The process has overtaken their system. Thus a simple process of different processes involved in the process of rubber meant also important changes in the social structure.

Finally one may characterize the subject in more general terms again. As the influence of a monetary economy grows there is a tendency for the scale of social relations to widen as new contacts are formed. On the one hand there is fragmentation and realignment and other changes and all this

into simple terms. In many organization is seen to be very different. Changes occur in relations of husband and wife through labour or differential production there is exaggeration or reversal of the economic differences between generations and different frames of reference for social experience appear the authority structure may alter. As the processes continue new structural arrangements may be formed with new class alignments and new patterns of leadership. The requirements of new legal norms and the new ethics of business involve different behavioural sequences. There may be a shift of symbols not only of wealth but also of social and political authority. At the same time

as it were obtruded as a sovereignty which may in fact be threatened or lost in other fields.

The resultant of all these forces is likely to be an economy and a society not in equilibrium but with conflicts of ends and conflict about means to secure agreed ends. These processes of social and economic change are not novel. But the diversification of technical skills is increasing and

is increasing. The widening of the growing differences in the realm of shared empirical knowledge and skill that common factors of unity are likely to be found. But to think that the future co-ordinating elements may lie in non-empirical systems of ideas suggests also reliance on fairly short term solutions.

MAHATMA GANDHI'S VIEWS ON MACHINES  
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systems of values one which has accepted and the other which has not  
accepted technical progress as desirable or technological advance as a self  
evident good (R. K. Merton *Social Theory and Social Structure* ch. xi: p. 317)  
and further if the strains of technological advance which any scheme of  
technological assistance brings in its wake must be reduced or eliminated so  
as to render the assistance genuinely effective then one of the chief concerns  
of the sociologist as well as of the technical administrator is the discovery of  
the terms of the normative system of both countries concerned. This does not  
mean that it ignores the social effects of techno-

example

with Western Europe) on Asian countries (believed to be on a lower stage) the underlying assumption that technological advance is a self-evident good should be brought to the surface so as to clear the way for the comparative normative approach. It is heartening to know that eminent Western sociologists have recognized the importance of this approach.

But it is disheartening that no formulation of the Eastern value-system has been made by an Eastern sociologist. One reason for this may be that

may be that those who could study the problem are the very people who believe in technical advance as a self-evident good and therefore do not worry about the problem beyond the stage of annoyance with

which in the view of a welfare state or a similar welfare state is committed to technological advance to be anxious to study the social effects of value systems involved in the resultant strain. Though one hears about cottage industries and their development in Indian life and not the earnest administrative encouragements the importance attached to them seems to be mainly on the score of their being able to provide some employment to those who are being thrown out of employment by technological advance. Gandhi, however, was deeply and primarily concerned with the value systems. There were others too but they were less known. Gandhi put his views very sharply indeed. One may not like his manner of posing the problem but one may consider it as partial one may dismiss it if one chooses. So many educated men and industrialists of India have chosen. But his statements remain a challenge to the entire problem of technological change and schemes of technical assistance. They should be taken seriously because many new disturbing features of Indian life cannot

be explained or removed otherwise. From them one might also infer that the term underdeveloped economy which is the excuse of technical assistance was inappropriate insofar as it confused the co-existence of two different value systems by placing them on the assembly line of historical development in which economic growth being the supreme value was subservient to and dependent only upon technological advance. Perhaps Gandhi was unfair to the European civilization; it may also be that he did not subscribe to the unilinear concept of history. But it is certain that he had other values and his understanding of India at least was unerring. We Indians love to think that Gandhi's views correctly represent the unformulated values of the vast majority of the Indian population towards social changes. They as he would say would welcome change on their own human terms.

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His writings show (letter to a friend quoted in "The Gandhian Revolution") that his own position was not a simple one but on the contrary it was a complex one.

between the values of different civilizations. *Hind Swaraj* discusses this issue with eloquence and poses the conflict between Indian values and Western values in pure white and pure black. Many historians and sociologists would be more cautious about India's ancestry about her deliberate wisdom in rejecting machinery, city life and the evils thereof. They would question the latent virtuous assumptions about India's past and her society. They would attribute them mostly to lack of

habit of making a virtue of necessity of spiritual values in the Western world order of social values prevailing and new. But here at last was the Indian posing of a felt contrast in the fierce clarity of exaggeration. The exaggeration was similar to that of a rebel slave who would assert with vehemence his own

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asked (*Mahatma* vol 2 p 2)

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 of mankind but for all. I want the concentration of wealth not in the  
 hands of a few but in the hands of all. Today machinery helps a few to  
 ride on the backs of millions. The impetus behind it is not the philanthropy  
 to save labour but greed. It is against this constitution of things that I am  
 fighting with all my might.

R Then you are fighting not against machinery as such but against its  
 abuses which are so much in evidence today?

G I would unhesitatingly say yes but I would add that scientific truths  
 and discoveries should first cease to be mere instruments of greed. Then  
 labourers will not be overworked and machinery instead of becoming a  
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 but limitation.

R When logically argued out that would imply that all complicated power  
 driven machinery should go.

G It might have to go but I must make one thing clear. The supreme  
 consideration is man. The machine should not tend to keep atrophied the  
 limbs of man. For instance I would make intelligent exceptions. Take the  
 case of the Singer Sewing Machine.

R But in that case there would have to be a factory for making these  
 Singer Sewing Machines and it would have to contain power-driven  
 machinery of a different type.

G Yes surely. But I am Socialist enough to say that such factories should  
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 labourers will not be overworked and machinery instead of becoming a  
 hindrance will be a help. I am aiming not at eradication of all machinery  
 but limitation.

R. When logically argued out that would imply that all complicated power  
 driven machinery should go

G. It might have to go but I must make one thing clear. The supreme  
 consideration is man. The machine should not tend to keep atrophied the  
 limbs of man. For instance I would make intelligent exceptions. Take the  
 case of the Singer Sewing Machine

R. But in that case there would have to be a factory for making these  
 Singer Sewing Machines and it would have to contain power-driven  
 machinery of ordinary type

G. Yes surely. But I am Socialist enough to say that such factories should

in the conditions of labour that I want This mad rush for wealth must cease and the labourer must be assured not only of a living wage but a daily task that is not a mere drudgery The machine will under these conditions be as much a help to the man working it as to the state or the man who owns it The present mad rush will cease and the labourer will work as I have said under attractive and ideal conditions This is but one of the exceptions I have in mind The sewing machine had love at its back The individual is the one supreme consideration The saving of labour of the individual should be the object and honest humanitarian considerations and not greed the motive Therefore replace greed by love and everything will come right

Next morning the interview was continued Ramchandran persisted

R If you make an exception of the Singer Sewing Machine and your spindle where would these exceptions end?

G Just where they cease to help the individual and encroach upon his individuality The machine should not be allowed to cripple the limbs of man

R But I was not thinking just now of the practical side Ideally would you not rule out all machinery? When you except the sewing machine you will have to make exceptions of the bicycle the motor car etc

G No I don't because they do not satisfy any of the primary wants of man Ideally however I would rule out all machinery even as I would reject this very body which is not helpful to salvation and seek the absolute liberation of the soul From that point of view I would reject all machinery but machines will remain because like the body they are inevitable The body itself as I told you is the *purest piece* of mechanism but if it is a hindrance to the highest flights of the soul it has to be rejected

The quotation is important from many points of view The views expressed in 1924 seem to mark a departure from those of 1908 Gandhiji was a realist in the best sense of the term The seeds that had been sown in the *Hind Swaraj* grew into a plant in the upturned soil of India Gandhiji had started the non-co operation movement and the Khilafat movement but he realized that the people of India were not yet ripe for the supreme renunciation his values demanded Non violence and Truth could not be the bread of the masses That was the bitter lesson of Chauri Chaura (1922) The masses wanted bread and for them God was bread and bread was God A terrible famine raged in Orissa and it haunted his dreams In various cities of India strikes occurred and their lesson was not lost on him His sense of limits a gift which every moral genius must possess came into play And in that process he realized a few historical truths It was clear to him that the impetus behind the large scale use of machinery was profit or greed—which was in the constitution of things as they were and not philanthropy or love that today machinery helps a few to ride on the backs of millions that the labourer must get a living wage and a secure daily task and his labour should not be drudgery and above all that man that is the labourer was the supreme consideration In Gandhiji's view man was the producer the bread worker by hand an idea which he had imbibed early in his career in South Africa from Ruskin's *Unto This Last* which he had translated as *Sarrodaya* Gandhiji be it underlined would have nationalized or state controlled factories of power driven machinery to control the profit and produce for the benefit of humanity love taking the place of greed as the motive At this point

Gandhij presumably believed that the State was and could be an agency for transforming greed into a love for humanity though else here he was less hopeful. All this appears to be a move away from the uncompromising position taken up in the *Hind Swaraj*. Be that as it may it was not a sacrifice of his basic or he called it the ideal position. Ideally however I would rule out all machinery even as I would reject this very body (the purest piece of machinery) which is not helpful to salvation and seek the absolute liberation of the soul. This idea of salvation and absolute liberation from the body is in my view the key note of Gandhian values or Indian values as Gandhiji and many others would interpret them. In short Gandhiji would have welcomed the natural destruction of machinery and mills together with law courts railways and hospitals but not a violent destruction. By natural he appeared to have meant the potential nature of the scholastics—the nature that sprang from love purity simplicity and flowered in fulfilment and *... arose from the actual nature of man in India* (1921 A Word of Explanation)

These values it is obvious meant a renunciation and non-possess on. The Hindu idea of renunciation is not *saragya* which is probably a Buddhist concept incorporated into Hinduism. Renunciation in the Hindu sense is *ap ngr ha* (non-possess on) of the Geeta as Acharaya Vinoba has pointed out more than once in the pages of the *Haryan* (10 April 1949). The concept of love or altruism the good of all as opposed to the hedonistic calculus of the greatest good of the greatest number (*A tobiography* part iv ch viii 10 ng 1 dia 9 December 1926) was probably a mixture of Vaishnava Christian and late Buddhist ideas. Whatever its origins it worked very well indeed particularly as a means of propagation of Gandhiji's ideas among the masses. In other words the ideal pattern of Hindu values was never forsaken by Gandhiji. It was woven round wantlessness. How could technology and machines geared to the production of goods for the satisfaction of wants which created more wants joint wants derived wants the infinite hyperbola of wants be consonant with the pattern of Indian norms. How could such norms square with that matter with Economics grounded as it was on wants and their *... if in the body be the utter sum* who was aware of *... ze for machinery?* *... machines help ng* a few to *... on the back of millions the concentrated power and wealth* of justice for the labourer as man securing attractive conditions of life for him and of *... ng human equity of employment etc etc* would be subsidiary. These latter Gandhiji's *... on ultimately hinged upon non-possess on* *ap ngr ha* wantlessness subordination of body and bodily wants to the need of the soul's liberation from its physical encasement which *... as the end*

These subsidiary problems however were far from socially insignificant. In the Gandhian view of life they were related to the means. To many educated Indians they were the ends or the primary values. Gandhiji had many opportunities of discussing them with those who were more sensitive to the



about a deathlike sameness in the nation. Gandhiji met this argument on the highest level. Taking his cue from the Hindu philosophical conception of oneness, identity or sameness which Sankar had carried to its logical extreme, Gandhiji held that behind a variety of occupations there is an indispensable sameness also of occupation. After inveighing for a *hita* -

both by European and Indian manufacturers has its place, it has come to stay. But it must be necessary human labour. An important plough *but if by some chance one man could plough up by some mechanical invention of his the whole of the land of India and control all the agricultural produce and if the millions had no other occupation they would starve and being idle they would become dunces as many have already become. There is hourly danger of many more being reduced to that unenviable state. I would welcome every improvement in the cottage machine but I know that it is criminal to displace the hand labour by the introduction of power driven spindles unless one is at the same time ready to give millions of farmers some other occupation in their homes* (*Young India* 5 Nov 1925, *Mahatma* vol 2 p 283). Here was argument on the purely economic level of means, that is, of employment and unemployment (Also vol 4 34 p 238 9). To a modern Western economist it may appear to be old fashioned. He thinks that he has devised excellent measures against various types of unemployment: cyclical, structural, frictional, seasonal, and all that, and he is not worried if even under full employment two to five per cent are unemployed. *by such theories and measure had been wedded to industry to evolve* -

The *argument is however* *hist* *say so long as some other occupation in their homes was not available—and it was not likely to be available in that historical context or in the near future because imperialist exploitation would not allow India to create alternative occupations—Gandhiji would stick to the spinning wheel and be against the displacement of labour by machinery. In other words, India in her present context should have labour intensive economy for the sake of full employment.*

Gandhiji was very respectful towards Tagore, and as we have seen met the poet's cultural charge with economic arguments. But he was not so soft towards the Indian Communist M. P. Mr. Saklatwala. In his reply to the latter's appeal, which he duly published in *Young India*, the differences with Tagore were not vital, but with Mr. Saklatwala they were. Gandhiji wrote in *Young India* under the caption 'No and Yes':

His facts are fiction and his deductions based upon fiction are necessarily baseless. And where these are true, my whole energy is concentrated upon nullifying their to me poisonous results. I am sorry, but we do stand at opposite poles. There is, however, one great thing common between us. Both claim to have the good of the country and humanity as our only goal. Though we may for the moment seem to be going in different directions, we shall meet some day. I promise to make amends for my error, since I do not recognize it as such.

Having said this in true humility—doubt it—Gandhiji reveals himself in promising absolute non-historical fact. *He wrote*

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call it satanic and with it the present system of government its best exponent

Then follow some sentences which would remind one of the wrath of prophets but with a difference I would destroy that system today if I had the

power I would use the most deadly weapons if I believed that they would

destroy it. I refrain only because the use of such weapons could only per-

petuate the system though it may destroy its present administration. Those who

seek to destroy men rather than the r manners adopt the latter and become

worse than those whom they destroy under the mistaken belief that the

manners will die with the men. They do not know the root of the evil

The last paragraph seems to retain its pertinence today in spheres wider

than the Indian. The points to be noticed in Gandhiji's reply to Saklatwala's

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thought of them but only to the extent of exploiting them. We read thrilling

accounts of the glory that was India of the land that was flowing with milk

and honey but today it is a land of starving millions. We are sitting in this

fine pandal under a blaze of electric lights but we do not know that we are burning these lights at the expense of the poor. We have no right to use the lights if we forget that we owe these to them. Gandhiji would seldom forget to remind his audience of their responsibility towards the people. The word *owes* these to them is an English rendering of the Hindu concept of *rina* or debts contracted by every individual at his birth to his ancestors, his gods, sages and to nature, the universe or society, debts which must be duly discharged in the course of existence. Hindu social organization is built on the principle of obligations which Gandhiji insisted on resuscitating in all social and economic spheres of activity. *vide* his concept of rich men holding their riches in trusteeship for the poor. Only in the sphere of political struggle against foreign rule would he allow the exercise of the Western sense of rights and these too hedged in by the sense of social obligations which was one vital significance of non violence. Gandhiji continued: There is a difference between the civilization of the East—the civilization of India—and that of the West.

Formerly he had contrasted only the modern civilization with the earlier pre technical one and minimized, if not ignored this distinction between the East and the West. However, this again is not quite a shift in position, in fact he was also speaking to the West. And he was only referring to the defects of the tendencies of the Western civilization and not to its inherent nature as Mahadev Desai pointed out in his preface to the 1938 edition of *Hind Swaraj*.

It is not generally realized wherein the difference lies. Our geography is different, our history is different, our ways of life are different. Our continent though vast is a speck on the globe but it is the most thickly populated barring China. Well, the economics and the civilization of a country where the pressure of population on land is greatest (the conjunction and should not be made much of) are and must be different from those of a country where the pressure is the least. Sparsely populated America may have need of the machinery. India may not need it at all. When there are millions upon millions of units of idle labour it is no use thinking of labour saving devices. The reason of our poverty is the extinction of [cottage] industries and our consequent unemployment.

There follow certain figures about the increasing dependence on land as a result of the destruction of cottage industries and the loss of health through the elimination of vitamins in grain after being ground in machines. Gandhiji's context was the first exhibition of Village Industries which he was building up as the base of his constructive programme. He was an anti machinist with a purpose and the language of his argument was suitable to the masses hearing him.

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with machines we have become machines ourselves having lost all sense of art and handwork. If you still think that we cannot do without machines the scheme (of new education) I have placed before you will be futile. You wish to keep our village alive by means of machines and think of imparting education to the village children through them. Machines will only help in making all the thirty five crores of people unemployed. If you think that machines are really indispensable you must reject the scheme and suggest

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away employment from thousands of housewives and artisans who make  
these *chakkis*. Moreover the process is infective and spreads to every village  
industry. The decay of the latter spells too the decay of art. If it meant the  
supplacment of the old crafts by the new ones one might not have much to  
say against it. But this is not what is happening. In the thousands of villages  
where power machinery exists one misses the sweet music in the early morning  
of the grinders at work. But to come to the main point. Whilst I hold that  
these power engines are at present being put to wrong use it would be some  
compensation if these engines in addition to their present use were also  
used to pump water out of the rivers tanks and wells for irrigation. (*Mahatma*  
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On 31 July 1946 G. N. D. J. addressed a conference of Ministers of Industries of different states in Poona. There he clarified his conception of village industries and referred to the imbalance between town and village economies and the need for establishing justice in the relation. In that connexion he came to a fairly elaborate explanation of what he meant by machines. Sir

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It then dawned upon me that to suppress and exploit the millions the machine was the device par excellence. It had no place in man's economy if as social units all men were to be equal. It is my belief that machine has not added to man's stature and it will not serve the world but disrupt it unless it is put in its proper place. Then I read Ruskin's *Unto This Last*. I saw clearly that if mankind was to progress and to realize the idea of equality and brotherhood it must act on the principle of *Unto This Last*.

In the machine age this principle had no place. Under it the fittest alone survived to the exclusion and at the cost of the weak. But that is not my picture of independence in which there is room even for the weakest observed Gandhi. That requires that we must realize all available human labour before we entertain the idea of employing mechanical power. (*Mahatma* vol 17 p 214 15)

We have traced the development of Gandhi's ideas on machines and on machine civilization and found that despite many concessions to the proper use of machines his values were definitely opposed to those which make for technological civilization and are made by it. By proper he meant positively that which was prompted by love and good for humanity and negatively what did not lead to concentration of wealth in a few hands and inequality to centralization of power to urbanization to unemployment to political economic and social exploitation. These evils which in his view were the characteristics of the modern society with its American apogee were the consequences of the large scale use of machines and they had to be fought with vigour. To that extent he was placing Indian (Eastern) against Western (Euro American modern) values. It was certain that he was not in agreement with a clear statement of the one that had suzerainty. His minimal systems on the basis of equality to establish co-existence of different social systems in the course of his experiments with Truth led him to think that the

values he propagated would also be good for the Western world. We will leave it to the Western sociologist to ponder over this issue. An Indian sociologist can only mention that Gandhi's protagonism of Indian values was not a manifestation of the romantic agony of nationalist historians nor a reactionary obscurantist throw back. It is submitted here that the reactionary in India should be viz. an

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At this stage it will be relevant to note the revolutionary elements. Their importance arises from the problem before us that we here must consider the conditions under which technological change can take place without causing the various tensions and frustrations which bring about aggression, violence and war which lead to mental unhealth.

In other words we must ask ourselves whether technology cannot but generate these evils, whether technology should always depend upon wants and their increase and bring about a state of culture in which material wants are king. The inner significance of Gandhi's concessions to the use of machines

introduced into India without upsetting the conditions are non-possession, *aparigraha*, the oceanic constitution in terms of self-sufficient villages with their group-

total a *yak* is a *yak*. Of these *aparigraha*, non-possession or wantlessness and *stama* or labour alone are selected for discussion. (Gandhi would have emphasized that non-possession in the context of human history has been an

own and not possession of greed or profit is the state of the community as he called himself before Mr. Louis Fischer (*Mahatma*, vol. 7 p. 190) but with this difference that his Socialism did not grow out of industrial civilization, technological values, class-conflict or according to the operations of the laws of dialectics. (That it could only be social expression of Truth, non-violence and faith in God is important but not

measure sanctioned by Indian traditions

A second revolutionary element in Gandhi's prescription is the concept of *stama* or manual work. So far as this writer knows *stama* or the value of the dignity of labour was not quite an Indian value. In a hierarchical society



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Gandhi's views have to be carefully studied before any scheme of technical assistance and large scale technological development is initiated. While it is very true that among certain strata and sections of the Indian people these views appear strange service is paid to them and the

that the public tendency of the job and discipline would squeeze the labour instrument of social power would teach docility to break the intransigence of workers all the time keeping greed profit and more profit in the back ground beyond the sight of those who are to be -

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In other words the demand for technology the Indian masses are

taken in by the technological values. They are showing healthy normal indifference to the neglect on by absenteeism inattentiveness a sort of lackadaisical work in the factories unpunctuality the so-called absence and idleness but unfortunately quite often in accidents files which are bemoaned as symptoms of industrial the search of the soil bound peasantry of India for the day away from the scene of work the din of villages where the pattern which they know rules even today

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types of work are defined and relegated to different strata on the two assumptions that spiritual work that is pure contemplation is the highest type that each stratum or caste which is fixed by birth has its own *svadharma* (bond religion) the practice of which means fulfilment of personality and the departure of which means destruction of self. But Gandhiji had a different conception of labour. He writes (from *Yeravada Mandir* ch. IX)

The law that to live man must work first came home to me upon reading Tolstoy's writing on bread labour. But even before that I had begun to pay homage to it after reading Ruskin's *Unto This Last*. The divine law that man must earn his bread by labouring with his own hands was first stressed by a Russian writer named T. M. Boudaref. Tolstoy advertised it and gave it wider publicity. In my view the same principle has been set forth in the third chapter of the Gita where we are told that he who eats without offering sacrifice eats stolen food. Sacrifice here can only mean bread labour. There is a world wide conflict between capital and labour and the poor envy the rich. If all worked for their bread distinctions of rank would be obliterated the rich would still be there but they would deem themselves only trustees of their property and would use it mainly in the public interest. The ideal body labour is agriculture but the next best would be spinning weaving carpentry and smithery and the logical common body labour is scavenging.

Surely this is not Indian value. The dissociation of bodily labour from mental and spiritual labour has had a long history which Gandhiji did not take into account. His attitude towards what is known as the caste system cannot be discussed here. But on the matter of bread labour bringing about economic equality he was anti caste and therefore a revolutionary—almost a Socialist. In other words if the Socialist gave up the usual Western assumption i.e. no high technology, no Socialism and remained content with the use of certain special types of machinery which would not displace labour or exploit human beings for greed or concentrate power then Gandhiji would bless him. If further the Socialist accepted this idea of bread labour and built on the revolutionary content of this view the ending of the separation of physical labour—now the only duty of a whole class of people who form the majority—from mental labour which is now the monopoly of the few would be possible.

... it is not the possibility of lowering the impulse and the level of intellectual work by making the intellectual workers work physically for bread without raising the intellectual level and stimulating the impulse of physical workers. But Gandhiji would reply that this could be averted.

Thus the Gandhian conclusion in regard to machines and technology is logical if one accepts the postulates that India has a separate norm of values—with the hidden assumption that values determine conduct—that she has a separate principle of social organization which would be disturbed and even destroyed by large scale use of machinery for greed and profit and that a proper use would presuppose certain attitudes some traditional and others not but all working in alliance and also a type of State that would own and control large machineries if they were indispensable for defined purposes. Otherwise the machineries to be used would be of a special type suitable for removing the drudgery of handicraft and improving its quality if possible. They would operate in the general context of a decentralized economy in close

before any scheme of technological development is initiated. While it is very true that among sections of the Indian people these views appear strange even though lip-service is paid to them and that such people would want to initiate rapid technological change in the name of economic advance, evolution and progress, it is also clear that an unintelligent injection of technology would so disturb the fabric of human relations that work would cease to be

replaced by efficiency and discipline would replace scientific management and that a new instrument of social power would teach docility or break the intransigence of workers all the time keeping greed, profit and more profit in the background beyond the sight of those who are to be immediately benefited by higher wages, better conditions of living, welfare measures and the like (*Social Theory and Social Structure* R. K. Merton p. 318-22)

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An Indian sociologist cannot thus ignore the power and the possible hidden motivations of a technological advance of those who want to and those who apply it. Change is inevitable. At the proper time in the machinery is unavoidable, let it be owned and managed by the State, a new form of State. Judging from experience, he cannot share Gandhiji's hope of trusteeship by the fortunate few. In short, the whole problem of

participation in the most common productive processes which are those of agriculture is possible. No has occurred in many industries. In India, the production of society's universalist culture is only very few criteria possibly present in any segment of the population without regard to previous social relationships or membership in irrelevant groups are available. In Indian human relations are affective rather than rational and impersonal. The normative system suitable for the industrial mode of production through

large scale use of machines is thus not the normative system of India. A matter of additional importance is the fact that this normative system has combined with nationalism anti imperialism and Gandhiji's interpretation of independence to convince some people that it is still valuable. So change must take account of these facts in order not to produce the same evils to which the West has been an heir<sup>1</sup>

## CAPITALIST DEVELOPMENT IN INDONESIA AND IN UGANDA, A CONTRAST

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Since 1870 Western entrepreneurs have had ample opportunity to invest and exploit their capital in Indonesia. The extent to which they have availed themselves of this opportunity—especially after the beginning of the twentieth century—has since then completely determined the economic development of the colony. As early as 1870 the highest authorities in the Netherlands Indian Government had strongly advocated this policy which they described as colonization by capital. Their main argument was that the Western enterprises should be a convincing example to the population of the opportunities for profit afforded by market and export crops, an example all the more indispensable because without it the Javanese farmer could not be weaned from his traditional rice culture and subsistence economy.

His Majesty's Government in the Netherlands recognized the validity of this argument and shared the expectations of its promoters. But it considered it inopportune any long range policy which would not in the near future provide the profits which the mother country and the king needed urgently. For this reason King William I preferred another scheme that had been put before him according to which the native rural population of Java should be compelled to grow by order of the Netherlands Indian Government certain profitable or at least promising export crops such as for instance indigo, sugar cane and coffee. They were to use either their own fields or waste lands allocated for that purpose and the produce had to be sold for the benefit of the mother country. This was the well known culture system which from 1830 on dominated Java in particular. For sugar cane cultivation it lasted almost to the end of the nineteenth century and for the other important forced crop coffee even till 1915 although the end came almost unnoticed, the system having collapsed decades earlier.

Most of the quotations from Gandhiji's writings have been taken from D. G. Tendulkar's 'mon men' biography. The 94th edition of Gandhiji's 'Hind Swaraj' has been used here. D. H. 95 edition of 'The Story of My Experiments with Truth' translated from G. J. Prasad by M. Badwe Desai, 93rd edition. The 94th edition of 'The Story of My Experiments with Truth' translated from G. J. Prasad by M. Badwe Desai, 93rd edition. The 94th edition of 'The Story of My Experiments with Truth' translated from G. J. Prasad by M. Badwe Desai, 93rd edition.

Under the culture system the Javanese peasant was forced entrepreneur he had to bear the risk and perform all the labour but under such adverse conditions that he conceived a thorough dislike for the compulsory crops and could not be induced after the termination of the system to continue of his own free will. In another respect also the culture system was a bad demoralizing influence. Diverted from his subsistence farming the peasant had only one aim to get through his imposed duties with the least trouble and exertion. He worked slowly and carelessly, he neglected and destroyed rather than cultivated—when he was given the chance he acquired no new skills merely new vices.

This false conception of his labour obligations on the part of the farmer subject to forced cultivation induced the sugar mill owners to extend their activities from cane crushing to cane raising on fields hired from the native owners. Consequently the part taken by the village people in the production of sugar was shrunk considerably although it still had a serious effect on the land to spare and all of their main source of

whom therefore in so a subsistence. Secondly there was wage labour in the fields as well as in the mill—occasional labour mostly irregular unskilled seasonal at best owing to the sugar industry itself. For both categories of labour the sole inducement was the prospect of acquiring cash to meet their needs.

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The Western enterprises in Java other than the sugar plantations and the estates in the outer provinces were started without connexion with the culture system and most of them not before the present century. Their beginning coincided with the proposals of 1827. For this reason the prediction that the culture system would be indispensable may be questionable for

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different in Java and the outer provinces.

In Java the density of the rural population so reduces the field area per farmer that the more extensive methods of cultivation become impracticable. Whereas when intensive methods are used the increase of production costs jeopardizes the profitability of the market crop. The value of the Western example is recognized by the small native landowners but they find themselves incapable of following it. Moreover an imitation covering hardly one thousandth of the area of the example and attempted without capital differs so widely from the example as to become an original experiment. These experiments were made but remained exceptions more often born of emergency than from the conviction that this change to market crops meant profit. In this way native sugarcane cultivation was undertaken on land which the decrease of irrigation water made useless for the rice crop and the native tea gardens were originally confined to unpoverished land where food crops no longer thrived.

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It is typical of agriculture that wherever climate and soil conditions are favourable for a certain crop mass cultivation is to be expected because little capital is needed in the production process This mass character of native export crop production may be an advantage when specific natural requirements of the crop restrict its potential area otherwise it easily leads to over production and a fall in prices jeopardizing all profit Further when child labour is profitable as in cotton picking this mass character may lead to a rapid increase of population neutralizing the advantages of the new crop (Egypt)

One other threat to native cultures especially those of perennial crops must be mentioned in connexion with the general neglect and lack of renewal The greater part of the native plantations date from the first world war This means they have reached an age when the replacement of old trees by young ones becomes a necessity But the large majority of the garden owners can no longer afford to abandon for years a large part or the whole of their accustomed revenues they prefer to await the exhaustion of their plantation All these features of native export crop production in Indonesia have resulted in a state of affairs in which the native planters are unable to take over production from the Western estates to oust them or even to compete with them successfully

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28 to 40 per cent. Many native planters have returned to food crop growing and I venture to prophesy that this regression in native rubber growing will continue indefinitely and that the Western estates will recapture most of the rubber policy of the Indonesian Government and of the trade base what will take their place?

The relations between the urban and the rural population have become static incapable of any development. The position of native labour on these large plantations is subordinate and must remain so. For the masses of the Javanese countryside the importance of the estates was the opportunity they offered to earn a modest supplementary money income. The wages were low and remained so in spite of the endeavours of the Netherlands Indian Government in the second half of the thirties to induce the employers to raise the wage scale. In general only unskilled and simple labour was asked for; in most cases did not form their

the neighbouring areas. The work which supplied the main part of the labour was also of a seasonal character of many plantations and plants. The whole organization of the plantations was based on the circumstance that most of the labour came from cheap occasional workers in the fields and gardens there was very little mechanization much task work was done by free groups enabling the employer to restrict his dealings to the foreman of the group the individual labourers had freedom to come and go an elastic wage scale was continually adapted to changing conditions.

In the outer provinces these occasional and irregular labourers were unknown. Here dualism the separation between the capitalist estate or plant and the surrounding pre-capitalist society was much greater. Here the labourers were recruited from Java or China whereas the autochthonous population had only incidental contact with the Western plantation and for the most part benefited by the modernization of their society brought about and paid for by the Westerners and the lively trade and traffic arising from the indirect influence of Western capital on the whole region.

These two aspects of Indonesian society must be considered more closely. First the fact that in Western economic development in the capitalist production process the labour of the native population was only important for its mass character not for the value of individual performances so that the tight whip which bound the main body of workers as producers to modern Western business was extremely loose tenuous and weak. Secondly the native population

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In this state of affairs the new Indonesian Government brought about two fundamental changes. It has considerably reduced the significance of the rural population as collaborators in Western production and it has fostered a great increase in the demands of the labourers as consumers. By this policy the economic balance between the various production factors

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In agriculture where the pace of the labourer cannot be checked or fixed with any degree of precision a 7 hour working day is certainly far too short. An official report on small scale agriculture in the Netherlands declares the normal working day to be 10 standard working hours. In its annual report for the year 1950 the Amsterdam Trading Company states that after the war 70 per cent of its oil palm plantations have been reopened that the oil production from this area has declined to 40 per cent of pre war output but that to obtain this reduced quantity 150 per cent of the pre war labour force was required. This may serve as an illustration of a phenomenon general throughout the business world in Indonesia.

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labour services on the newly opened estates and earn in this way the money needed to pay taxes. The spreading of cotton culture among the native population formed no part of the official programme and was readily left to the Anglican Mission which initiated the project.

Therefore in Uganda too the Western estate system would have formed the basis of export crop cultivation but for the accident that the land assigned to the white settlers proved unsuitable for growing cotton and because both the first world war and the world wide depression of the thirties interfered with further experiments with other export crops. Thanks to these adversities native cotton growing got its chance to determine the economic future of the Protectorate. However it must be said in favour of the British administration that it shifted the helm when it saw that native cotton growing promised to become a success. For the estates this change of direction meant new difficulties because from now on the recruitment of workers for the white plantations was no longer backed by the authorities.

It is sometimes pointed out as an advantage of economic development by means of small native export cultures that this welfare policy guarantees a wholesome gradualness. Economic development if properly guided can be integrated into the structure of African society instead of remaining an external disintegrating force (L. Mair *Native Policies* p. 13). This statement seems only partly correct. I am rather inclined to endorse the theory that development from below also may cause a revolutionary change and that in Africa in any case it has done so. The male has replaced the female as principal agriculturalist, production for subsistence has been ousted from the first place by production for the market and for profit, occupation has become business, the family provider has become entrepreneur, new money needs have been created, with the appearance of import commodities a new type of distributive retail trade has grown up, in short the African's whole world has been transformed and with might and main the authorities seek to awaken a new capitalist mentality in a pre capitalist society. A revolutionary process of this kind cannot be prevented from having a disintegrating influence on communal traditions.

It was undoubtedly a favourable circumstance that the introduction at least of this radical social change was left to a missionary organization. Both its means and its standing permitted only a moderate pace at the start of the movement. This changed when once it was under way the administration interfered and government machinery was switched on. In accordance with the system of indirect rule the tribal chiefs had to serve as intermediaries and the first thing the authorities tried was to awaken the emulation of the chiefs. look at the Eastern Province and the ... otherwise the foremo

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to addressing exhortations and recommendations to the chiefs but they were fully aware that for the chiefs every recommendation was an injunction—an injunction followed all the more readily since the chiefs being also landlords found it to their interest to have their farmers try the new culture.<sup>1</sup>

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It is a strange fate for the colonial welfare policy to have the Government assume the role of revolution maker. Or is it not a revolutionary act to supplant by a single rule the pre-capitalist ideal of life repose above all (to do nothing) by the capitalist law of life time is money and work is man's vocation?

Once the profits of the new crop became tangible to the producers further encouragement was unnecessary. The sale of his produce enables [the native cultivator] to buy imported goods and stimulates the desire for individual gain. Once this has been liberated from the control of custom he needs little further inducement to concentrate on export crops and wants more money so as to clear or buy land and hire labour (J S Furnivall *Colonial Policy and Practice* p 293)

The two world wars and their aftermath were favourable to native cotton cultivation in Uganda and it spread rapidly. They demonstrated England's dependence on Empire cotton and forced up prices. In 1950 a population of less than 5 million earned an income of more than £30 million from cotton export that is from a crop introduced less than fifty years before in the pioneer cotton area in the Eastern Provinces. The area which in 1910 hardly covered 6000 hectares in that part of Uganda by 1938 had already increased to 250000 hectares. In Buganda the growth of cotton culture was still more striking. It had started later but within a generation it was in the lead.

The rapidity of this penetration of money economy into a pre-capitalist society intensifies the revolutionary character of the change. This revolutionary change necessitated a radical government policy which could however as soon as the first world war was over assume the paternalistic character typical of welfare policies in most colonial countries. In 1922 a valorization policy was applied about the same time plough culture was introduced with cattle as the tractable power during the years of depression and overproduction of cotton other export crops (coffee tobacco etc.) were produced in addition to cotton a licence system was established for buyers and payment in money adopted. Prices were controlled and regulations passed to protect quality. For the cotton culture especially these government measures were further supplemented by cost free supply of cotton seed interdiction of certain specified methods of sowing harvesting and ginning interdiction of a second planting on the same field in the same year interdiction to stock seeds or government prohibition to apply cotton cultivation in specified tracts and to destroy the whole crop without compensation in case of pests.

In the war years of the forties this paternal interference by the Government increased still further. A government monopoly was set up for the buying up of the two main native export crops cotton and coffee and this government agency also acted as single seller to foreign countries. A fixed minimum price was guaranteed to the producers. The surpluses received by the selling agencies were paid into two price stabilization funds which in a few years could put a general mill on pounds at the disposal of the authorities.



As described above part of the revolutionary government policy was to instil an entirely new conception of labour. But so to remould the African mind is easier said than done. Thus far the average man only sees the new market crop as a source of money income which does not require too much exertion and enables him to make purchases beyond his daily needs. He does not yet feel dependent on these new crops nor does he love their culture as such. If ever the economic situation permits him to acquire the same extra revenue with less labour he would prefer the same income with less exertion to a higher income at the cost of his sweat. Exertion as such has no merit, labour remains a necessary evil, the less necessary the more evil. No one believes work to be the purpose of life, no one has pledged his heart to the cultivation of cotton.

Under these circumstances the task the Government has set itself is to change a people of consumers into a people of producers, into a society which will give its whole attention to performing its part in the production process and to the productivity of its labour, instead of to the question of how to enjoy life to the full, to educate the people to see labour as man's vocation on earth and repose as a preparation for fresh exertions. It may be that this alteration in the conception of life is ultimately unavoidable since without it there remains the danger of irregular production of insufficient care of the crop, decline in quality, exhausting cultivation of adulteration, etc.

Up to the present the Government has succeeded in conjuring the serious symptoms of this threat by its paternal economic policy, which in all probability is not justified and already led to disturbances in 1949. Apparently the Government is going on the theory that when a certain wholesome tradition or custom can be developed these are a sufficient substitute for rational insight and love for the crop in the individual producer.

Nevertheless the consequences of the capitalist change of mentality are bound to appear. Thus the increasing influence of self interest on social and economic activities is one of the first expressions of growing individualism. A common complaint among the black people is that hospitality has disappeared and instead the travelling man has to pay for food and shelter even with his relatives (R. C. Thurnwald *Black and White in East Africa* p. 133). Mutual help in the village community is also disappearing. The easy earning of money has become a sport and a game. Even the children became conscious of the charm of making money, boys and girls in Buganda have laid out their own small cotton fields and convert the produce into money for their own use.

A more important consequence of the social trend towards capitalism has been the appearance of the kulak, the rural exploiter. As has been said the new capitalist mentality is by no means a universal phenomenon. Only a few become imbued with it and are thus able to dominate their weaker brethren. They increase their landed property, they change agriculture into a business undertaking based on capital, they enter into crop sharing contracts or farm out their lands, they act as moneylenders and buy up the native market crops, they are traders rather than peasants and they shirk manual labour. They form the capitalist counterpart of the tribal or clan chiefs, whose landed property, wealth and power are not founded on personal qualities but on status and tradition. They are however also gradually usurping the place of the Indians in retail trade. It makes an essential difference whether the agriculturalists they exploit are subsistence farmers or growers of cash crops. In the latter case they do not disturb a closed pre-capitalist household economy.

but rather introduce an element of social differentiation into the agrarian community they have therefore a much more positive social function and may be considered and accepted as pioneers on the road to modern conditions. The authorities have less reason to take action against the kulak because they have found a powerful and efficient weapon for the protection of the ordinary farmer in the co-operative society. It is a promising co-operative movement in Uganda that has been organized for the purposes of the had been had been have princip

On the other hand the co-operative organization can and should also be used on behalf of the ordinary village people for other than strictly economic purposes in the first place to develop a consciousness of social responsibility and the sense of solidarity with a community. If this succeeds the co-operative society may replace the traditional village or tribal community which is doomed.

## THE RECRUITMENT OF WHITE COLLAR WORKERS IN UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES

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In the discussion of the human problems arising in underdeveloped countries undergoing a process of technological change the question of the formation and training of an industrial labour force stands in the foreground. It is indeed a most important problem especially if a process of relatively rapid industrialization is envisaged and if not merely the acquisition of new manual and technical skills but the entire alteration of the way of life of large masses of the population takes place. Most of the past discussions of the development of an industrial labour force have concentrated on two groups within the new industries the industrial labourers at the bottom of the scale and the technical elite the engineers. Some attention has also been given to the problem of how managers concerned with the organizational and business problems of new industries can be trained and in some underdeveloped countries what steps could be taken to induce the development of a class of private entrepreneurs in industry.

The problems which arise in all these areas are complex and differ from one another considerably. The transformation of peasants and primitives into industrial labourers is a task involving masses of people and which affects not merely the place and manner of their daily activity but their entire social

existence<sup>1</sup> The training of engineers and top managers involves fewer individuals but because of the strategic positions which these obtain in an industrializing economy their selection and their most appropriate employment also involve from the viewpoint of the economy as a whole various difficult problems<sup>2</sup>

With all the attention which has been given to the incentives and motivations which may exist for industrial workers on the one hand and managers entrepreneurs technical leaders and engineers on the other one group has received little attention though in the last resort their successful recruitment and effective co operation is indispensable for a process of industrialization This group is that of the white collar workers In the subsequent paragraphs I propose to suggest a few thoughts on the role which this group may play in a process of industrialization and on some problems which arise

Before entering into a discussion of the problem itself I wish to express two caveats

- 1 The countries which are commonly designated as underdeveloped exhibit great differences in culture relative level of economic advancement political structure and internal social relations Since my remarks will be couched in general terms some of them may be inapplicable to individual countries In fact it would be impossible to present significant propositions on this (as on almost any other) topic if one were to make sure that they were really applicable to *all* underdeveloped countries Some assertions made in this paper must therefore be interpreted as describing tendencies in some countries a real situation in others and to be of subordinate or no importance for certain others

- 2 For reasons of space some of the situations described will be schematized to a certain extent I readily admit that such a procedure constitutes a simplification of the real situations but I hope that over simplifications can be avoided and that in spite of some schematization the analysis of at least the core problems will not lose its validity

When we speak of white collar workers we deal with a group of people who in terms of economic position and social ranking exhibit great heterogeneity In most of the theoretical treatments white collar workers as a group are counted among the middle class and I will follow this practice by making use of the classification of the middle class presented by Professor F Marbach<sup>3</sup> Marbach distinguishes between the old and the new middle class and further between the self employed and the non self employed members of the middle class Although on the whole there is some overlapping between the old and the self employed on the one hand and the new and the non self employed on the other the two principles of classification yield four easily distinguishable categories In this paper we are concerned only with white collar workers i.e. with members of the non self-employed sector of the middle class And here i.e. may distinguish two groups again one of which corresponds on the whole with Marbach's old and the other with his new middle class

The new non self employed middle class is made up of white-collar workers who perform relatively unskilled labour Although they do not work with

On this problem see Wilbert L. Moore *Industrialization and Labor* New York, 95  
See on some aspects of this problem my article *Economic Growth* *The American Journal of Sociology* vol. XII, 1, (October 95)  
Fritz Marbach *Theory of Multiclass* Bern 9 esp. p. 83 ff

their hands their real income in the advanced countries is normally not above and frequently even below that of semi skilled and skilled manual workers. In this group belong the typists bookkeepers shipping clerks filing clerks, and other persons engaged in commercial and industrial establishments and in public service. This group will be designated in this paper as *employees*.

The old non self supporting middle class is made up almost entirely of public officials normally in the higher ranks of the public service. To this group should be added persons engaged in occupations of similar complexity in the service of private firms or individuals. We will designate this group hereinafter as *officials*.

The employees are distinguished from the manual labourers in that they work in an office rather than a workshop or a factory and that their work requires in general a higher degree of literacy than most manual jobs. A clerk and a bookkeeper must have on the whole more education than most manual workers. The employees

are usually better educated than the officials. The latter obtain their income from salaries and fees. Moreover as a rule the income of officials is considerably higher than that of employees as also of skilled manual workers.

The most characteristic aspect of the economic role of officials is their intermediary position in a bureaucratic hierarchy.<sup>1</sup> This means that they are normally in a position in which they receive general directives from the persons in elite positions within the bureaucratic hierarchy and it is their duty to transmit these directives to their subordinates. In addition they are responsible for the work of their subordinates and to maintain channels of communication with co-ordinated portions of their bureaucratic hierarchy. The most significant difference between officials and the members of the elite is that only the latter make policy decisions and occupy in governmental hierarchies or in business organizations the positions of ultimate responsibility. As a rule there is also some difference in the level of income and general social ranking between members of the elite and even the highest placed officials.

From the distinctions made it is clear that there exist important differences in the incentives and motivations of employees on the one hand and officials on the other. I shall first briefly consider the former group.

The employees are in the advanced countries the proletarianized portion of the middle class. Their income often remains below that of manual workers and this appears to be a correct reflection of the overall social value of their contribution. The particular jobs which they perform require few specialized skills apart from those acquired by almost all children in school. Whatever skills are needed in addition can usually be learned by a very short training or by some process of on the job training. Moreover since many of the jobs performed by employees are on a low level of technical complexity the human factor can be replaced relatively easily by machines. In other

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Compared with this situation in the advanced countries a different situation is likely to persist in many underdeveloped countries at least during the early period of the industrialization process. The differences are due mainly to two factors: the much greater illiteracy rates in underdeveloped countries and the very low prestige that in many of these societies is attributed to manual work which dirties one's hands. (This last factor plays a certain role too in advanced countries.) Some employees endure their economically unenviable position because being a white collar worker gives the illusion to the outside world—and sometimes even to oneself—that one is above the ordinary crowd of common labourers. This has the consequence, as Marbach has shown, that employees in advanced countries are recruited on the whole from a higher social layer than manual labourers, even though the amount and quality of education required for the two types of position are not very different.

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In practice these factors have the following consequence: lower rank employee positions become available to persons with a minimum degree of literacy. In view of the social prestige of white collar positions as compared with manual labour, and because of the relatively greater scarcity of individuals even with a minimum degree of literacy, such positions will normally pay higher wages than those of manual workers and most occupations in agriculture. Hence, with an increase of the rudiments of literacy there will be a race for these jobs and selection for them will depend to a large extent on personal connections and friendships between applicants and persons in the higher echelons of an administrative organization. It is no secret that in many underdeveloped countries the staffs of certain government offices are composed of relatives or co-villagers and other personal friends of one or several heads of a department or division. It is not necessary to point out that this method of recruitment of even the lowest ranks of a public bureaucracy has many undesirable aspects. It tends to keep out many qualified persons; it places professional relationships within the bureaucratic hierarchy on a non-rational basis; it produces vested almost clannish interests within the public service; and it endangers the principle of promotion within the bureaucracy from the ranks, since not effective performance but personal friendship is the decisive criterion. At the same time this system bears the seeds of producing corrupt administrations, since every applicant for a position will find it desirable to become a friend of persons with the power of appointment—if necessary by means of gifts or bribes.

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 the purchase of expensive equipment and that the middle and upper ranks  
 of the bureaucracy would be even more heavily overburdened with work and  
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 in short supply Whatever dangers and inadequacies may lie in the recruitment  
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Many of the problems which we observe in the recruitment of employees are  
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administrative apparatuses of most underdeveloped countries were until recently either manned in their higher positions by non natives or experienced periodic breakdowns.<sup>1</sup> In other words the administrations of native governments or enterprises in many countries of say Latin America or the Middle East, exhibited a degree of inefficiency and instability which was one of the factors accountable for the relative economic backwardness of these countries.

former colonies and the bureaucracies in underdeveloped countries under the supervision of the national governments. The growth and extension of native bureaucracies is necessary. These must take over the functions exercised until recently by non natives. In other instances they must modernize themselves and replace their often inefficient and non rational methods of operation by the introduction of the principle of rational action on an impersonal formally egalitarian basis. This process of innovation makes great demands on a new type of manpower and it is not surprising that the recruitment of officials equal to the tasks demanded of them forms a serious bottleneck in the economic development of underdeveloped countries.

In the subsequent paragraphs I shall try to analyse some of the factors which exert an influence on the number and types of persons who become officials in the bureaucracies of underdeveloped countries. This may explain why the shortages exist and how they might be overcome. One important factor is the absence in most underdeveloped countries of well-ordered administrative procedures. Existing bureaucratic procedures are outdated and often derived from the practice of some more advanced country with entirely different conditions. The previous colonial status of some countries and the fact that others though politically independent, were culturally dependent on an alien system retarded the adoption of certain European systems of

procedures often make public as well as business bureaucratic in underdeveloped countries topheavy cumbersome and ill adapted to the needs of the country. Examples of this can be found in the tax and fiscal administrations of many underdeveloped countries but they exist also in other fields.<sup>2</sup> The most appropriate method to deal with this situation is the substitution of existing administrative procedures by more suitable ones a task in which the United Nations and its specialized agencies may provide considerable assistance.

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pursuit of the general policy directives under which he functions. In addition he is charged with doing his work in the most efficient manner possible. Efficiency in this context means something very similar to what economists have in mind when they speak of economizing the attainment of a given goal with a minimum of means.

These limitations ideally impose upon an official a perfectly rational method of action. There is a close analogy between an ideal typical official and an ideal typical entrepreneur. The latter economizes means in order to maximize profit the former in order to maximize the implementation of whatever policy he is charged to execute. It is no wonder therefore that really efficient bureaucracies exist only in a social framework in which rationality (in Max Weber's sense) has become a widely generalized principle of social action. Weber sums up thus his penetrating discussion of the bureaucracy.

Bureaucratic structure is everywhere a late product of development. The farther we go back in historical development the more typical become forms of government which lack a bureaucracy and officialdom altogether. Bureaucracy has a rational character; it is dominated by rules, purposiveness, means, objective impersonality. Its origin and growth has had everywhere a revolutionary effect in a special sense, an effect which the advance of rationalism usually produces wherever it occurs. In this process structural for of government became annihilated which did not have a rational ch

and without which it is social action include at least the following: 1. This kind of rational action on the basis of achievement rather than on the basis of a person's status. That is, in order to implement his job effectively an official must select those persons and other means which on the basis of known scientific and technological relations are most efficient. This demands moreover that the exercise of the functions of an official must be democratic in that he disregards in a formal sense special claims of individuals which are not based on objective criteria of achievement or on clearly established legal claims. Moreover, the rationality of an official's actions will normally lead to his making use of whatever specialized skills exist in order to achieve an end. Hence rational bureaucratic activity tends to support and sometimes even to initiate division of labour and specialization. Finally the impersonal quality of the official's purpose requires that he be community oriented, i.e. that he regards his office as a trust which he administers in the interest of the community as a whole rather than as a benefice which leads to his own enrichment or the accumulation of power.<sup>2</sup>

Many of these principles of social action are foreign to the value systems dominant in some underdeveloped countries. Moreover, in some countries the social structure and its maintenance work against the introduction of these principles. Hence the development of effective bureaucracies encounters great obstacles. Indeed, really efficient administrative organizations have been created only in economically advanced countries, the governmental and

M. Weber *Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft* Tübingen, 1947 vol. II p. 677-8.  
A more tentative discussion of these interrelations can be found in my essay 'Social Structure and Economic Growth' *Economia Internazionale* vol. VI no. 3 (August 1953). See also Marion J. Levy, 'Some Sources of the Variability of the Structures of Rationalized Societies: those of Highly Industrialized Societies in B. F. Hoselitz ed. *The Process of Underdevelopment* Chicago 1952.

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Some of the bureaucracies in an equally and middle ages and their difference with the modern type of governmental and business bureaucracies, see below p. 3 ff. One of the outstanding examples of bureaucracy country which did belong to the group of economically advanced areas was imperial China. It is often said that the merits of the Chinese imperial bureaucracy one of its main features was its inflexibility which made it incapable of functioning in the period of social and economic transition imposing a demand on China.

vested interests of office holders or other beneficiaries of the system there are factors in the social structure of some countries which make the formation of rationally operating bureaucracies difficult. I refer to the excessive inequalities in social position and resulting from it the quasi feudal character of some underdeveloped societies. At the top of the social pyramid is a small group which has a virtual monopoly of wealth, political power and education—the three main status conferring variables. The officials who are appointed under such a system usually stand in a relation to the political power holders which resembles that of the medieval *ministiales* to their clerical or secular overlords. In other words the officials do not serve the community as a whole but the special interests of a politically powerful group. This has the consequence that not only excessive emphasis is placed on the preservation of the *status quo* at least as far as the distribution of political power and social prestige is concerned but it also tends to keep out of the administration persons who have undoubted objective qualifications but who do not stand in a quasi retainer position to the members of the community's elite. Quite apart from the fact that such bureaucracies are in any case unsatisfactory because recruitment is based not on the principle of achievement but on that of personal status a class of discontented intellectuals is created who often turn to various radical movements in order to attain positions in which their capacity for political leadership can find some expression. But in the shadow of the division of the world into two great camps the formation of political opposition groups often leads to a repetition of the world conflict between communism and democracy within the underdeveloped country. Although the radical groups are sometimes illegal and may exist only underground they are present nevertheless and impose serious difficulties on the smooth economic progress of the country. Furthermore this very situation makes the introduction of more rational community oriented bureaucracies even more difficult. For as Weber has pointed out this process of rationalization is revolutionary in a certain sense. It has the tendency of reshaping social relations and introducing a principle of formal egalitarianism which the political elite may regard as dangerous to its interests and whose introduction it will therefore attempt to resist. In such countries—and some of the Middle Eastern and Latin American nations belong to this group—the introduction of modern bureaucracies may encounter great difficulties. This will at the same time affect the speed and ease with which an overall process of economic development can be accomplished.

Fortunately the majority of the larger and more important underdeveloped countries do not have quite such rigid social structures. Some rigidities exist there also and they impede the extension of rational impersonally operating administrations. For example Daniel Thorner recently surveyed the prospects of reshaping the village administrations in India through the establishment of village *panchayats*. He found that in most parts of India the *panchayats* have no power whatever and are not likely to obtain it and that in those parts where they are effective they have been built into old established power and social structures reinforcing the caste system where it still exists and a class system based on differential land ownership and wealth where the caste system is weaker. Thorner sums up his observations with the remark: "to rebuild village life would require far greater vision, authority and popular support than is commanded by the *panchayats* anywhere in India. To approach the goal of rural economic development through the agency of the

existing village panchayats would appear to be an exercise in frustration. The impediments to the formation of modern rationalized countries they have become in the formation of governmental units and above all also in the bureaucracies in the business bureaucracies. Yet even there some obstacles still exist which are the lack of adequate training facilities for officials and partly the domination which prescribes a strong ethic for loyalty to one's

Although the system is examined in almost all underdeveloped countries, there is too great an emphasis on literary historical and narrowly legal training. This is also the case with requirements for positions in the higher ranks of the bureaucracy. The notion that an official is often, even predominantly, not a generalist but a specialist in a particular field of knowledge has not yet fully penetrated the public administrations of advanced countries and lags badly behind in underdeveloped countries. One consequence of this fact is that in advanced countries as well as in underdeveloped countries private bureaucracies are often staffed with better qualified and sometimes better educated men than public bureaucracies. In underdeveloped countries where specialized technical and professional skills are relatively scarce, the loss of many qualified individuals from public service to private enterprises

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A sufficiently large supply of adequately trained persons for the public educational system will only be forthcoming when educational facilities are increased and improved. But here, as in so many other instances, the intermediate schools are in the greatest need of improvement. In some underdeveloped countries there exist excellent universities, and a small number of students receive a university education abroad. The extension and improvement of higher education is still highly necessary and is one of the second priority in all development fields.

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Even though provisions for more adequate educational facilities on the secondary level and special technical fields will have only limited results if traditional values are not developed. There are many of these values of officials—and their prerogatives—often occupying positions similar to those of personal retainers of their superiors. Although this may be acceptable in business bureaucracies in the long run, it defeats the effect of the operation of a public administration. But the replacement of this personal tie of service to one superior by the integration of an official

into an impersonal hierarchy is a most difficult process requiring a total re adaptation in thinking and values. It is clear that in order to achieve such a transformation powerful incentives must be present. I can think of only two developments in the societies of underdeveloped countries which may support it. One is the elevation of the prestige and power of officials and the other is the persistence of nationalist sentiments. Neither of these alternatives appears attractive to a person educated in and adhering to the values of Western society. The first tendency seems to increase greatly the danger of creating a managerial class possibly with totalitarian predilections and the second to contribute to a growth of ethnocentrism and rejection of cultural and other influences from abroad which may ultimately endanger the peaceful development of international relations.

But the dilemma may appear greater than it really is. The growth of managerial tendencies in public administrations may be tempered with an enhanced emphasis on popular democratic processes and nationalism may perform a positive function in destroying primary loyalties to a family, tribe or local village group and replacing them by loyalties to the nation as a whole. We should not forget that also in Europe nationalism passed through this positive constructive phase and is responsible in part for the consolidation of the great nations of contemporary Europe. If the underdeveloped countries can achieve the creation of smoothly functioning bureaucracies without giving way to the excesses of managerialism or nationalism—both of which contain the seeds of political and social totalitarianism—they will have made a contribution to socio-political practice in this matter equivalent to any achievement of the already advanced countries.

## THE UNSETTLED ATTITUDE OF NEGRO WORKERS IN THE BELGIAN CONGO

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### PROBLEMS OF VALUES

It is now becoming increasingly evident that the main problem which governments have to face in Africa south of the Sahara is that of Negro manpower. In the Belgian Congo the colonial authorities, anxious to meet the requirements of the present economic development and realizing the extent of the problems it involves, are doing their best to find a solution. No solution can be satisfactory, however, unless it is adapted to the mentality of the local population. For the Negro mentality is different from ours: it results from a combination of historical circumstances affecting successive generations and upon which—as Professor Glansdorff points out—are grafted certain particular tendencies which can in most cases be traced to external sources and are of a psychological character.

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#### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AFRICAN WORKER

The African worker must be emphasized is nearly always a migrant. Wilfrid Benson, discussing the extent of migration in Africa in an article published in *International Labour Review* in 1939<sup>2</sup> states that the whole continent of migration and that workers are sometimes found to have

<sup>2</sup> With the exception of countries where Arab influence predominates. W. Benson, 'Some International Features of the African Labour Problem', *International Labour Review* vol. XXXIX no. 1, January 1939.

into an impersonal hierarchy is a most difficult process requiring a total re adaptation in thinking and values. It is clear that in order to achieve such a transformation powerful incentives must be present. I can think of only two developments in the societies of underdeveloped countries which may support it. One is the elevation of the prestige and power of officials and the other is the persistence of nationalist sentiments. Neither of these alternatives appears attractive to a person educated in and adhering to the values of Western society. The first tendency seems to increase greatly the danger of creating a managerial class possibly with totalitarian predilections and the second to contribute to a growth of ethnocentrism and rejection of cultural and other influences from abroad which may ultimately endanger the peaceful development of international relations.

But the dilemma may appear greater than it really is. The growth of managerial tendencies in public administrations may be tempered with an enhanced emphasis on popular democratic processes and nationalism may perform a positive function in destroying primary loyalties to a family, tribe or local village group and replacing them by loyalties to the nation as a whole. We should not forget that also in Europe nationalism passed through this positive constructive phase and is responsible in part for the consolidation of the great nations of contemporary Europe. If the underdeveloped countries can achieve the creation of smoothly functioning bureaucracies without giving way to the excesses of managerialism or nationalism—both of which contain the seeds of political and social totalitarianism—they will have made a contribution to socio-political practice in this matter equivalent to any achievement of the already advanced countries.

## THE UNSETTLED ATTITUDE OF NEGRO WORKERS IN THE BELGIAN CONGO

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### PROBLEMS OF VALUES

It is now becoming increasingly evident that the main problem which governments have to face in Africa south of the Sahara is that of Negro manpower. In the Belgian Congo the colonial authorities, anxious to meet the requirements of the present economic development and realizing the extent of the problems it involves, are doing their best to find a solution. No solution can be satisfactory, however, unless it is adapted to the mentality of the local population. For the Negro mentality is different from ours; it results from a combination of historical circumstances affecting successive generations and upon which—as Professor Glansdorff points out—are grafted certain particular tendencies which can in most cases be traced to external sources and are of a psychological character.

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This shows that already before a third of the 10-year period has elapsed the need for workers in excess of the figure of 11 million which the authors of the plan had set as the target to be reached at its conclusion. 'The situation is thus extremely serious—I quote from the department's report—for it cannot be denied that at the present stage of development of the peoples of

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opportunities. It is also based on African traditions.<sup>1</sup> And the author stresses the fact that these migrations are no merely temporary phenomenon. Most of the workers concerned return home after an absence rarely exceeding two years. The volume of migration is increased by the comparative brevity of the period away from home and sometimes reaches alarming proportions—as for instance in Nyasaland where economic and social development is impossible because every year 140 000 persons out of a population of slightly more than 400 000 go off to Southern Rhodesia and South Africa.

Another characteristic of the African worker is that he is unskilled. His principal handicap is his complete ignorance of any technique. He cannot do his work efficiently until he has been given some training. Technical training increases his self respect and also the respect in which he is held by others and this is very important.<sup>2</sup> Lack of training gives rise to many problems which are all the more difficult to solve because in the territory we are now considering the demand for labour is constantly increasing. Reading the reports of the missions sent out by the governments of various countries to study the economic situation in certain parts of Africa one soon notes that the chief concern of their authors is the shortage of manpower particularly skilled workers.

One mission reporting to the Governments of British East Africa in 1942 pointed out that these territories were confronted by two problems. In the first place they had to overcome a general shortage of skilled workers which was not only impeding normal economic activity but constituted a serious threat to the Government's extensive schemes for developing the mines and for the cultivation of ground nuts.<sup>3</sup>

In the second place they had to ensure that children on leaving school would regularly enter industry or commerce. The report went on to say that the school system should normally provide a general education to be followed by apprenticeship or by some other form of vocational training organized within the industry or trade concerned, adding that in all the territories under consideration there was a shortage of highly skilled reliable workers capable of working without close and constant supervision.

Similar considerations are put forward in the reports issued in 1947 and 1948 respectively by the Government of Nyasaland<sup>4</sup> and the Government of Northern Rhodesia.

This lack of trained and qualified Negro workers in Africa south of the Sahara is due to a complex series of sociological factors for which the authorities are obliged to make allowance and which render the problems relating to the employment of labour much more complicated.

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able bodied men in the population. The entire population would suffer from such a disturbance of the economic balance in this vast territory where industry in the widest sense of the word is still confined to a few isolated areas. Other solutions must therefore be sought. I myself have a preference for those which are based on the assumption that any policy aimed at increasing productivity will have results of the first importance in the underdeveloped areas.

As soon as one begins to examine the problem of the output of Negro workers in Africa one is reminded that the dominating feature of the market is its instability. As I have indicated earlier the Belgian colonial authorities realizing the fundamental importance of this phenomenon have expressed their determination to introduce more stable conditions as one of the goals of the ten year plan.<sup>1</sup> Since the absorption capacity of the home market depends chiefly on the level and stability of Negro incomes the temptation is to try to prevent fluctuations in the labour market by raising wages. The question is whether this is a practical policy and if so how it can best be applied.

Before attempting to answer this question however we should investigate the causes of the instability of the labour market.

Only then will it become possible to contemplate a gradual general reduction in production costs accompanied by a considerable increase in the standard of living of the Negro labour market in the Belgian Congo.

#### ABSENTEEISM

The problem of fluctuations in the labour market might be summed up in the word absenteeism were it not that allowance must also be made for the sometimes decisive influence of the employers' behaviour and of varying circumstances. I mention this last point only by way of reminder.

Absenteeism which is endemic among Negro workers in some parts of the Belgian Congo is the most frequent cause of fluctuations in the labour market. In industry it is among manual labourers that it occurs most frequently. In the plantations it is most often found among workers employed on weeding fruit picking and general maintenance. I shall return later to this point.

Without claiming to give a complete list of the causes of absenteeism I will indicate those which have come to my personal knowledge.

#### *The Influence of Tradition*

The influence of tradition is still very strong in the Belgian Congo and makes demands upon the workers to which even those who seem most Europeanized usually submit.

It cannot however be denied that many Negroes go to work in European undertakings simply because they are anxious to escape from the burden of

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Some people may be tempted to say that dowries are often very high; they must represent a very useful means of encouraging the Negro to work. There is some truth in this. But the fact remains that the man is positively plundered by his wife's family and if he belongs to a matrilinear community he knows that its regulations will prevent him from taking his wife

home to his wife. He will refuse to accept a fixed dowry and give up his job and go to the colonies being aware of the prominent part played by the Negro wives usually provide a number of facilities to enable their employees to pay dowries and get married. Some companies have gone so far as to adopt a policy of family stabilization which has often given excellent results (the Union Minière du Haut Katanga has been particularly successful in this respect). I have also come across many instances proving that the Negro woman—a habitual cause of absenteeism and therefore of instability—could also have a valuable stabilizing influence.

Another effect of tradition on the workers is their casual attitude towards employment. A man who leaves his job or is dismissed knows that he will not be able to find another one as there is no group is entitled to be off hand. This tug of war between the colony and the colony is coming more and more strenuous.

In the large towns such as Léopoldville and Elizabethville there are signs that economic pressure is becoming stronger than home influences. This was apparent, for instance, towards the end of 1953 when the danger of unemployment which arose in certain branches of activity seemed to have brought about an appreciable change in the attitude of workers towards their jobs. But in working for a European concern, the Negro is still embarking upon an unnatural kind of life and giving up such work still means for him a return to a natural life. Thus as he can find a livelihood in his village he is very seldom placed in the position of a work-shy labourer in Europe.

### *The Type of Work*

Another prominent cause of absenteeism is to be found in the type of work. To begin with it should be mentioned that workers settle down better in industrial undertakings than on the plantations—probably because in the factories they feel they have drawn closer to the European employees that they have surmounted yet another of the barriers separating them from the

Whites whereas on the plantations they feel—as they told me quite frankly—that they are doing nigger work. The proportion of absenteeism varies however from one factory or plantation to another and other things being equal the work itself appears to be the deciding factor.

It has now become a truism to say that in factories the extent to which a worker settles down depends on his degree of skill. In factories too night work is particularly unpopu-  
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 and on the plantations employers have always given it to the weakest and least skilled men—thus bringing the work itself into disrepute, a fact of which the men are keenly aware. On the other hand the teams employed to cut down trees and clear the ground for the enlargement of the plantations show a most satisfactory enthusiasm for their work although it is much the hardest, most dangerous and most exhausting of all types of agricultural labour. This popularity is due to the fact that work of this kind has always been done by men; moreover many Europeans regard forest clearance as one of their finest tasks and this certainly affects their attitude towards the workers they employ. It is equally certain that it creates a desirable psychological atmosphere for the work.

There is another factor which should perhaps not be underestimated. Like most plantation work forest clearance is made up of clearly defined tasks. The African is always anxious to know exactly how much work is expected of him in a particular job and how long it is to take and this cannot always be predicted in other types of agricultural work.

### *Proximity of Negro Villages*

This is a factor which usually has an unfavourable effect upon workers employed on the plantations. In the equatorial province for instance absenteeism is encouraged for various reasons by the proximity of the villages from which the employees come.

The first reason is that their wives often leave the camp and return to the village—because they are summoned back because they are cultivating a plot of land there or because they have some other reason for staying at home. In such cases the worker often leaves his job—either because he wants to see how his wife's crop is coming along or because he feels he ought to keep an eye on her personally! In the Mayumbe district (province of Léopoldville) the proximity of the Negro villages produces this effect chiefly towards the middle of the dry season when the workers go home to repair their huts before the rains begin. On several plantations in the Eastern Province (Stanleyville) the workers go off as soon as they are paid to hand over their money to their families at home.

Several agricultural concerns have realized the extreme importance of this question of proximity and have tried usually with success to reconstruct the entire Negro village on their own concession. In thus replacing the camp which workers rarely like by the village they get rid of one cause of absenteeism.

The problem is more serious in the palm plantations than in the rubber plantations for workers who go away for any of the above reasons can usually

be sure of making up the wages they forfeit by their absence. When they get back to the village they need only cut the fruits from the palm trees and take to the neighbouring station. Even this belongs to the concern of their produce.

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### *Proximity of Large Towns*

Here the problem is one of abandonment of jobs and general instability of the labour market rather than of absenteeism properly so called. Under the conditions (especially plantations) situated in the neighbourhood of European towns, find that their tendency to move to such places they do this but merely point

out that the attraction exists

### *Other Causes of Absenteeism*

Under this heading I have listed a number of causes which came to my notice but which are less far reaching in their effect than those already mentioned.

*Gambling* In about ten of the plantations I visited gambling was a positive feature—especially at night altogether acting the games concerned then fleece the workers and live very largely at their expense!

*Food Supplies* In some districts despite the efforts made by the employers and the measures introduced by the authorities food supplies are unsatisfactory. If the workers are given, in kind, the legal rations which form part of their pay the situation is considerably improved. But for some years they have been demanding money instead of rations and in most cases the authorities and the employers have been obliged to give way. If local food supplies are scarce the men go hunting and fishing to obtain extras which they greatly appreciate. The employer very often does much to help them but the urge to improve their diet frequently results nevertheless in their dropping their work for two or three days to go hunting in the bush. This cause of absenteeism is too important to be ignored.

*Policy Regarding Breaches of Contract* At present penalties are incurred by Negroes who commit a breach of their work contract!

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During the last few years under the influence of the liberal principles advocated by the International Labour Organisation the idea has been gaining ground in Belgium that these penalties should be abolished. The colonial authorities have not so far taken any steps to rescind them but the law courts in the Belgian Congo are adopting an increasingly lenient policy in this respect. The result is—most unfortunately—that the workers are beginning to consider that their contracts cease to be binding from the moment they feel inclined to stop work. This feeling helps to account for the increase of absenteeism in the Belgian Congo—especially as the public prosecutor often refuses to apply the existing regulations anticipating that they will soon be altered.

So far I have dealt with absenteeism as a prominent factor in the instability of the labour market in the Belgian Congo illustrating its extent by a number of examples some of which contribute not only to absenteeism but to permanent withdrawal from employment.

In addition to this factor which in itself would repay further investigation, there are other factors which contribute to the instability of the labour market. These are the inflated wages lack of vocational training among the workers.

#### INFLATED WAGES

During the post war boom in the building trade particularly in the larger towns of the colony contractors began to offer workmen wages and remuneration in kind on a scale which attracted them in large numbers thus disorganizing the labour market. This also led to an extraordinary waste of manpower for as labour was comparatively cheap these contractors hired their workers *en masse* even if they were completely unskilled. This same policy of inflated wages has been adopted to a varying extent in other branches of activity.

#### LACK OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING

This also helps to unsettle the workers. So far there has been a lack of vocational training in the Belgian Congo and so the workers are not prepared to accept the discipline of the work. This is especially true of the Negroes from the Congo because of the rapid expansion of the labour market.

Many of these men were workers only in name. Apparent vocational training courses were organized for them in the Congo. But the sociological and psychological factors whose persistence was described came into play and were responsible for an increase in the disturbance in the labour market.

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## THE PROBLEMS OF THE AFRICAN WORKER IN THE GABOON AND THE CONGO

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the large national groups of west Africa tasks which now confront them. The difficulty is due rather to geographical and historical causes. This area has an extremely sparse population (hardly more than a million inhabitants) distances are considerable and communications right up to recent years poor while improvements—such as the Congo-Ocean railway—have been very costly. The physical hardships and material difficulties inseparable from life in the equatorial zone have also to be reckoned with. There are only two areas with a comparatively dense population—the Bakongo country in the neighbourhood of Brazzaville (with 12.15 inhabitants per square kilometre) and the Wole Ntem bordering on the Cameroons where Fang peasants have recently established cocoa plantations (over five inhabitants per square kilometre).

Moreover the peoples occupying this territory suffered heavily in former times from the slave trade which reduced the population and led to many tribal wars. They have also felt the repercussions of the trading methods of more modern times which gave rise until quite recently to a considerable flow of population towards the trading posts and to fierce competition for monopolies. Instability still characterizes most communities in the Gaboon-Congo region. It has been intensified by colonization which through its need to recruit labour was responsible for a rush to the towns which it made no attempt to stem—with the result that in the Middle Congo one out of every five inhabitants is now living either temporarily or permanently in a town.

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economic system which has been based since remote times at least so far as the male population is concerned more on barter and the acquisition of commodities for bartering than on agriculture. But the difficulties inherent in the economic activities of colonists must also be taken into account. Until recently barter—conducted through the medium of the *Sociétés* and of a number of middlemen—was the chief occupation in the region. Not until after 1920 was the timber (*okumé*) industry developed on an extensive scale mining did not begin until after 1930 when the first important lines of communication were being opened up (one mining company was formed at an earlier date but it soon lapsed into inactivity). It is in the public works enterprises in the logging and mining camps that the villagers—in large numbers and without passing through a transitional stage—gain their first experience of wage earning. These types of work employ a large quantity of labour but provide a minimum of training. This has an inevitable effect on the behaviour of the African worker who emerges from such activities. Any survey of his problems such as is required before practical action can be taken must be based on an understanding of this situation.

In an under populated country where there is a local shortage of manpower (in the neighbourhood of a given industry) coupled with a comparatively high demand there are only three possible methods of supplying requirements—by compulsion (the policy of drafting labour) by calling in help from outside or by introducing technical improvements which have been the tendency for the past ten years. Taking our examples from the Gaboon we will now consider how manpower problems have affected village communities by disturbing their demographic structure contributed towards the growth of a proletariat and given rise to a policy of direct or indirect compulsion which has been maintained over a long period.

Until the present day when the whole process is being mechanized the timber industry required from 20 000 to 30 000 workers known as hired hands. This demand was made upon a country with only 420 000 inhabitants where manpower was needed for other purposes as well. A rough estimate based on the age groups generally recruited—men between the ages of 20 and 40—will show that this number of workers represents the total number of males in that age group in a population of 150 000 to 180 000. Over 40 per cent of the population of the Gaboon was thus affected by the demands of the lumber camps. This figure gives some idea of the contribution provided by communities outside the area of the industry.

The local authorities were quick to realize the demographic and social consequences of this policy which adversely affected the inhabitants of the Gaboon without satisfying the requirements of the contractors. The annual report for 1928 states that much remains to be done in order to compensate for the decrease in the native population which has resulted from the large scale recruitment of labour. It refers to the grave consequences of this emigration saying that family life is completely disorganized when the grown men leave their villages to work in industries on the coast. In addition to all this there were growing up alongside these industries so-called *villages de vagabonds* (shanty towns) the spread of which was contributing to the growth of a very unstable proletariat.

Furthermore the voracious demands of the timber industry are directed almost entirely towards unskilled labour the villagers are uprooted without being permanently settled in a new sphere of activity and without receiving

any training. As recently as 1950 according to figures published by the  
 of Labour more than 80 per cent of the labour force in the  
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A further example may be taken from the administrative area of Ngounia (Gaboon) which is both a  
 poorer and an industrial zone. In 1950 the total number of wage earners  
 employed in the mines and lumber camps of this area amounted to 23 per  
 cent of the adult male population over 15 years of age while during the  
 previous ten years nearly 18 000 men had left the district to work elsewhere.  
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available to him in this spirit.  
 southern part of French Equatorial Africa— which were confirmed by my  
 colleague G. Sautter the geographer—there is every reason to suppose that  
 jungle enterprises find great difficulty in keeping their workers—especially  
 since the introduction of the new laws of 1946 which by recognizing the  
 principle of freedom of employment have diminished the possibility of  
 recourse to coercion. It should be added that the social welfare measures  
 adopted by certain agricultural and mining undertakings in the Middle  
 Congo have done little to reduce this tendency to drift. Once uprooted  
 the peasant makes his way by gradual stages through one industrial job after  
 another towards one of the big urban centres. It is to these therefore that a  
 considerable part of this survey will be devoted; they undoubtedly attract  
 like a magnet. For this purpose I shall draw upon the results of my survey of  
 the Black Brazavilles by which I mean the African towns of Poto-Poto,  
 Wenzé and Bongo bordering on the white town.

Let us consider the situation of the wage earner in these towns.

The two main criticisms suggested by a perusal of the Inspectorate of  
 Labour's reports are that the labour market is in a state of continual flux—the  
 comparative stability referred to above characterizes the urban population  
 but is not effected in urban business enterprises—and that skilled workers  
 are very rare. There is incidentally an inescapable connexion between  
 these two facts.

The state of flux is due to the very nature of salaried employment in Africa  
 and to the particular types of economy which exist in this region. The Negro  
 is attracted to the money wage by the rapid  
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 chief incentive is the desire to obtain the best paid work available and to this  
 end the more ambitious go to the Belgian Congo to get some type of special

A survey carried out during my visit to the Congo and the Gaboon, from 1948 to 1951.





comparative stability in this class of employment. Many prefer not to take permanent jobs; they hope to get back to their villages for varying periods or to establish themselves in some form of commercial activity which is not only profitable but satisfies their need of freedom. This is another cause of mobility originating in the system of barter which was for a long time the dominant feature of the local economy. It emphasizes the fundamental weakness of a labour market which is in itself precarious and subject to fluctuation because it is governed by purely external circumstances.

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These inclinations are hard to satisfy under the present economic and social system. In the course of the survey already mentioned many of those questioned admitted that they had not been able to get other work or learn any other job or go to school. An analysis of wage earning in the Middle Congo where the towns of Brazzaville and Pointe Noire provide the majority of the statistics serves to illustrate this point: domestic servants 45 per cent, clerical workers 75 per cent, technicians and skilled labourers 25.5 per cent, unskilled labourers 62.5 per cent.

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All this points to what is described in official parlance as an excessive question of vocational training and what attempts have been made to supply in part by the information given above concerning the economic situation in this part of Central Africa. Owing to the lack of industrial equipment and the prevalence until recent years of the system of barter such a demand hardly existed until 1945 when the so-called ten year plan was put into operation. As for the training of skilled personnel the reports drawn up during the emergency period which followed that date refer with some bitterness to the negligence shown by many employers during the past few years in training and supervising their workmen.<sup>2</sup> In connexion with this remark, it should be remembered that technical training whether government-organized or in private schools is on a sound footing. The school at Brazzaville, a technical school of its kind and except for the apprenticeship centre at Pointe Noire—which had 266 pupils in 1950-51—it is the largest. In 1950-51 there were 190 pupils divided among the three sections (industrial, technical and commercial) of which the school has consisted since 1946. The future prospects of these pupils vary considerably according to whether they enter government or private employment. Figures issued by the Inspectorate of Labour show that in the former case they receive much higher salaries (7,000 fr. as against 3,000 fr. in 1949-50) together with special allowances and have good prospects. The contrast is, says the report, given rise to grave dissatisfaction, which may result in aversion for manual work. This remark is illuminating: the existing enterprises have as yet no need for highly skilled workers. Only the building trade and the public works undertakings have a great need of specialists at the moment to meet the demands of the plan. This accounts for the eight month intensive vocational training courses offered by the four industrial sections (masonry and bricklaying, reinforced concrete, timber

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Added to all this it should be observed that the bonds created by teamwork are still very fragile and are often broken by long standing antagonisms based on ethnical factors. This instability is due in great part to the preference for short term employment, the recent origin and doubtful duration of many undertakings, and the high proportion of new citizens in the towns. From the

fact that the population shows no such groups are being accepted in the case of the railway which incidentally has helped to break as such and has led to a rift among them—the chief are widely dispersed and exerted by the trade union movement (suspect first as being a type introduced by the colonizing power and later divided against itself by individualistic tendencies) are significant.

It is not enough to consider only those difficulties which arise from the peculiar features of the wage system and the modernised sector of economy in an underdeveloped country. Cultural conditions must also be taken into account—and anthropologists have been active in investigating them. Economic progress among African Negroes may be seriously impeded by the persistence of certain types of behaviour or of methods of organization which are not fully adequate.

maladjustment which is due to the wealth. The social structure of this society is being more regarded than constituted authority. For instance a rich man (*nk ma kuma*) enjoys so much respect that strangers are apt to take him for the local chief. But wealth here consists chiefly of wives (a local proverb says: 'Our wives are our real wealth') and of goods locked up in chests which may in a sense be considered as potential wives since they help to make up the dowry. A good deal of the tribal income undoubtedly comes into circulation in the first place in the form of dowries and these are governed by local fluctuations in prices. Now that money is being earned by an increasing number of individuals competition for dowries is becoming more and more numerous. Once the system under which wealth and women were kept in circulation has been thus disturbed it causes more discontent and less satisfaction. However it still remains as on young Fang write puts it: the starting point and the goal of

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layers cobblers tailors chauffeurs and even typists But it is the chauffeurs  
who find it the most profitable because of the attraction exerted by their  
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In such circumstances it is naturally difficult to assess the workers output or  
the quality of their work The Inspectorate of Labour describes the situation  
as characterized by lack of diligence great changeability and an average  
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type of employment The report at once goes on to say however that  
this cannot be due only to physiological causes It admits that the workers  
are insufficiently prepared for their tasks makes a brief reference to the effect  
upon them of having left their familiar surroundings which in the majority  
of cases is a very recent event and states that the African worker is unfamiliar  
with the technical methods and the tools used by his European colleagues and  
he is not accustomed by tradition to work to a time table This latter  
observation like all statements concerning the output of Negro workers  
points to the need for certain specific investigations—an example of which  
was provided by Dr Ombredane in the Belgian Congo when he called for  
a comparison between incentives in familiar surroundings and surroundings  
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Dr Ombredane also emphasizes that the African worker remains alien to  
the task imposed upon him and to the undertaking which makes use of his  
services he is seldom a permanent part of the undertaking for which he  
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of interest accounts for the lack of diligence of which employers complain  
and which is even more marked among manual labourers than among skilled  
workers At Brazzaville according to a very rough estimate absenteeism  
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survey of that society and the anthropological method is of great value here  
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is evident—in African Negro communities everything may be said to hinge  
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Moreover the need for a comprehensive investigation covering all the  
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A second type of maladjustment occurs because of the authority of an alder over a younger brother etc ) are often exerted in such a way as to bring about the economic exploitation of the dominated person The same applies to traditional rights over women which where they are maintained give scope for blackmailing the husband with perpetual requests for presents Families (in the widest sense of the word) and associates invoke tradition to justify their claim to a considerable proportion of an individual's income Economic activity is of course discouraged rather than stimulated by this commercialization of social relationships

These are only two typical examples of unfavourable factors But it should be remembered that favourable factors exist as well Reference to traditional customs may bring to light methods of organization which can be adapted without great difficulty to the new economic conditions This has been the case with the *Li temo* evolved by the Ba kongo the practical value of which has been proved by the many services it has rendered I should like therefore to give a somewhat detailed description of this type of economic organization which is known chiefly as a savings association

The *mwana temo*<sup>1</sup> members of such an association vary in number from the 3 to 4 needed to form a little temo to the 10 to 20 of a big temo they all pay in an equal sum the amount of which and the frequency of the payments (fortnightly or monthly) are fixed in the light of their financial position and their aims Workers earning an average wage usually organize 500-franc or 1 000-franc *temos* to be paid in at the end of each month while tradesmen and certain government employees manage to make deposits amounting to several thousand francs cannot pay his contribution he must either find someone

The c purchasing power than via c to save by means of strict discipline and to p money lenders by a system of mutual assistance But the *mwana temo* often gets into debt in order to keep up his contributions and has to use his share when he receives it to pay his debts The preliminary condition for the establishment of such an association is that the prospective members all need to build up a capital sum within a relatively short period—to put the finishing touches to a dowry pay for a fence build or repair a hut etc Members must all be of the same tribe (the association is confined to natives of the Ba kongo) and there must be a certain affinity between them so that they trust one another According to tradition the member who receives all the contributions must provide the palm wine which is drunk by the entire company in token of the sacred nature of the pledges given and of the alliance into which they have entered This attempt to adapt tradition to the new economic circumstances

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It has long been realized that a problem arises when a primitive society is introduced to our forms of civilization. But the possible solutions of that problem have not always been very clearly described. In any case a purely sociological approach to the question of contact and interaction between human communities differing in technological structure would lead us far astray if it were not preceded by a geographical study of the area concerned. An economic assessment of the situation and of ways in which it can be exploited has to be drawn up and it may be thought desirable to attempt a geographical or one might say ecological classification in preference to any other. Regional divisions are in the first place a matter of topology and a civilization results in the first place from acclimatization in some particular spot. Since the real needs of the Thule group are primarily material ones and since their satisfaction is a prior condition of any social or cultural progress this report does not deal with such social, religious or political phenomena as might be engendered by planned development. Such phenomena must of course be foreseen and if given their rightful place in the general system they might lead to appreciable modification of the arguments here set forth.

The small tribe of polar Eskimos (it has only 300 members) in the most northern of all human communities is cut off from southern Greenland by Melville Bay and from Baffin Island and Ellesmere Island by Lancaster Sound, Jones Sound and Smith Sound. In 1950 it was living in almost complete isolation from the rest of the world.

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The Danish Government is already faced with a similar problem on the west coast of Greenland. Owing to the rise in the temperature of the Baffin Sea, which has caused the seal to migrate, the authorities have encouraged the Greenlanders to transform their manner of life whenever the supply of game is judged to have fallen below an adequate level. Thus without regard to the traditional social structure the men have for the past twenty-five years been urged to give up hunting and turn to fishing or stock breeding. So the half-breed Greenlanders of the next generation assembled in fur or fish

world until visited by Robert E. Peary during the series of Polar expeditions which he carried out between 1892 and 1909. The first permanent trading station was established by Rasmussen in 1910 but it was not until 1937 that the Danish Government assumed official responsibility for the territory. The whole population is now Christian the last member having been baptized in 1934.

This group of 302 persons provides a typical example of an isolated community and while this is in itself a question of genetics it has to be considered in connexion with an essentially demographic problem—that of the actual survival of so small a group.

A study of vital statistics in small isolated areas points to the conclusion that stability and continuity can be maintained only where there are more than 500 inhabitants. Isolated groups of between 300 and 550 inhabitants are in an unbalanced state from which they may either achieve stability or rapidly disappear.<sup>1</sup>

A careful analysis<sup>2</sup> of the structure of the population in Thule indicates that these figures are too hard and fast and should be modified. It is however true that the demographic situation of the tribe has always been precarious. It had 253 members in 1893, 207 in 1908 and 251 in 1923. The population is thus now slightly increasing at the rate of 0.8 per cent per annum. Lengthy contact with whites has lowered resistance to disease. Tuberculosis has developed. Moreover owing to considerable inbreeding cases of deformity though not numerous are sufficiently frequent to have an economic effect (being a burden on the community).

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is rich in game, hunters are few and the administrative authorities vigilant—it is inadvisable except in such conditions and can in any case provide only a temporary solution. As a means of supplying food—a small scale system operating in surroundings where productivity is low—its efficacy is limited partly because of the natural increase in the population and partly because of the rise in the standard of living.<sup>1</sup> For since they came into contact with Europeans the Eskimos have introduced gradual changes in their diet (increased consumption of margarine, coffee, tea and tobacco) and in their other habits (textiles are replacing seal skins and reindeer hides, wood, fuel oils and coal are being used). Halfway along the road to civilization they are becoming more exacting and are no longer to be satisfied with their local resources alone. It is not improbable that, in these economic circumstances, the population will rise above the safe maximum within the fairly near future. If fresh local activities cannot be developed to supplement the traditional economy, the region will soon be overpopulated in the Malthusian sense of the term. As the hunting grounds cannot be indefinitely extended and it is based on further exploitation of animal life, which is already open to speculation, the future of the Eskimo population depends on the needs of the inhabitants of other barren

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Such are the main lines of the policy followed for nearly two and a half centuries on the west coast of this big island between latitudes 70 N and 60 N. In the light of the experience thus gained it has become evident that the solution of cultural and social problems must be based on a realistic assessment of resources—

it is a social problem. Even a small fluctuation caused for instance by an epidemic or a food shortage can place this handful of people in an alarming situation and in 1950 I found that from the sociological point of view its structure was equally frail.

The structure of any Eskimo community is of course admittedly fragile. In a society which has never developed beyond the embryonic stage the spread of Christianity and education—the visits—however brief and intermittent—of European expeditions and the introduction of modern technical processes have set up a condition of latent traumatism. Under the continual impact of these new forces the traditional methods of tribal government have gradually fallen into disuse: they survived until 1951 only because the Danish authorities both private and governmental had wisely refrained—in 1910 and again in 1938—from disturbing the segregated and isolated life of the tribe. To all appearances it still leads a balanced existence but the real situation is not reassuring.

The traditional religious theories of the people strike them today as untenable. Their legends and beliefs no longer backed by the authority of the medicine man are gradually being forgotten. Relationships within the tribe having lost their religious implications are changing. In former times they were based on respect for the most experienced hunter now they are conditioned among the young men by their degree of Europeanization—diplomas, bank accounts, administrative responsibilities. Instead of hunting in parties for bear or walrus they go out individually to set traps. The spirit of fellowship which was maintained by common interests is now declining and giving place to an individualistic and commercial spirit which because of the demands of trade is directed towards the outer world.

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potato. For centuries past the people have had the subsistence economy typical of Indian communities. They have only one harvest a year as they have no water for irrigation; the rains are therefore a determining factor in the annual rhythm of their life. The change in the system of landownership which has been going on over the last twenty-five years determines their present attitude and conduct. Until 1930 all the Indians were simply *colonos* (peons) of absentee mestizo landlords. Since then, as a result of various favourable circumstances, the *colonos* have begun to purchase their own land.

The island, which is about three miles long and one and a quarter wide at the widest part, was in 1580 awarded to a Spaniard, who became its first owner under Spanish law. During the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries it passed into the hands of a series of different owners, and thereafter was transmitted by inheritance until in 1930 it was divided between eight owners.

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history of this race reveal the people's extraordinary adaptability (mechanical skill talent for learning languages evident willingness) The stage of development they have already reached together with their natural qualities suggest that at the present moment they run no risk of being overmodernized Their integration must of course be carefully planned and too abrupt contacts avoided It should also be possible to make use of their particular aptitudes—fur farming training them as guides for work in the mountains or rescue teams for use in plane crashes—to instruct them and encourage them to specialize Such a policy if introduced without delay and carried out with moderation and caution may perhaps lead to the formation of a new type of Eskimo society

In view of the limited resources available to these people and the danger that their tribal structure may collapse as a result of the establishment of the military base one wonders (though this to some extent contradicts what I have written elsewhere<sup>1</sup>) whether the opening of the Arctic to air traffic may not turn out to be providential for the Eskimo people—not in every case but wherever local resources are insufficient to enable them to eke out a living by adding sea fishing to hunting their attachment to their native soil makes them shrink from migrating to any considerable distance Only in the requirements of the infra structure can such groups find new and profitable activities through which to satisfy their recently awakened material and cultural needs It is sincerely to be hoped that these new developments will not end by creating a situation which it is their specific purpose to prevent—a situation in which the native population becomes doubly proletarian having lost its tribal structure without acquiring any vocational qualifications

## THREE INDIAN COMMUNITIES IN PERU

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Peru like most of the Latin American countries is considered to be under developed.<sup>2</sup> A third of its 9 million inhabitants eke out a precarious existence and take practically no part in the life of the nation. Owing to their racial and cultural characteristics this great body of people commonly known as the Indian population is only slowly being absorbed into the Peruvian culture giving rise to a series of cultural adjustments and disadjustments and finally to acculturation—a phenomenon which has been characteristic of the country for the last four hundred years but which is taking place in unpropitious circumstances. This process is leading to the development of a mixed or mestizo population (both culturally and physically) which at present

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#### THE ISLAND OF TAQUILE

Taquile is a homogeneous community of 650 people living on one of the islands on Lake Titicaca at an altitude of nearly 12,600 feet. Only two adult and six children speak Spanish; the remainder of the population speaking only Aech'a. The native economy, social and the main crop is the potato. So centuries past the people have had the subsistence economy typical of Indian communities. They have only one harvest a year as they have no water for irrigation; the rains are therefore a determining factor in the annual rhythm of the life. The change in the system of landownership which has been going on over the last twenty-five years determines the entire attitude and conduct. Until 1930 all the Indians were simply *colonos* (peons) of absentee mestizo landlords. Since then, as a result of various favourable circumstances, the *colonos* have begun to purchase their own land.

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Lake Titicaca is subject to periodic fluctuations; its level rising and falling in regular sequence. One of the great falls in its level (sixteen feet in five years) began in 1944, leading to the almost complete disappearance of the *tolora*, a species of typha growing on the banks and in the shallows of the lake which is an extremely important raw material in native industries. At the outset the disappearance of the *tolora* was a calamity. Owing to the shortage of raw material for building their rafts the Indians were in danger of being left with no means of communication. This problem which also affected the inhabitants of the other islands and peninsulas in the lake led to the use of sailing boats. In this way the journey from Taquile to Puno was reduced from fifteen to four or five hours. The first boat was bought but the others were built on the island by the Indians who now have five of them. The growth of landownership and the change in communications have quite altered conditions in the island. The closely knit community has come safely through a stage of crucial importance. Although the Indians have become the owners of almost the whole island and although the performance of services without payment for the former owners has been abolished, the importance of the island in the life of the community has been reduced and scarcely any of the land is now used for common pasturage.

It follows the traditional pattern: the same crops are grown and the same implements used for tilling the land—the *taklla* (a primitive foot plough) and the ox-drawn plough. The work is done both individually and collectively: the systems of *ayni* (mutual help) and *minka* (communal work).

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The Indians make their own clothing and weave their own cloth. Their harvests are sufficient for them to engage in a little trade partly barter and partly sale for money. They gradually collect the necessary amounts for the purchase of land, the building of boats and the buying of the commodities they need for their own consumption such as matches, lamp oil, wool, alcohol (for celebrations) and miscellaneous goods. They supply the outside market with potatoes, wood for fuel, and a few carved stone objects.

The presence of a school which has been in existence for eight years has so far brought about no improvement mainly because it has not taken due account of the special requirements of the community.

The struggle for the ownership of land and the change in the means of communication and transport are thus the two main factors conducive to economic development and the introduction of modern technology. The Indians living on the island are now in close and constant touch with Puno which in its way is the most advanced centre on the Peruvian plateau. The other Indian communities look up to them and quote them as an example as being the first to acquire ownership of the land they cultivate. It is interesting to note however that the people of Taquile from all other points of view are still the most conservative group to be found on the islands in the lake. Traditional institutions are still marked by the Western influence to which they were subjected in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The people are skillful at weaving and stone working. As the possibilities of agricultural development will always be limited even in the most favourable circumstances, the increase in the population will make it more and more difficult for the land to support the people. This problem cannot be solved on Taquile, the necessity of leaving the island to find another means of livelihood beginning to be felt and a few of the inhabitants have gone as far away as Arequipa to work on the land, taking the places of peasants who have become industrial workers.

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#### THE INDIAN COMMUNITY OF TUPE

Tupe is a mestizo community in which the Indian influence is predominant. It is today a survival of the *Kauke* ethno-linguistic group which is akin to Aymara although it differs both from this and from the *Quechua*. It is a conservative group which is also represented in another part of Peru (the mountainous region of the Department of Lima) by a series of surviving communities that have not lost the vitality. It consists of about a thousand people living in four centres of population, all of whom without exception speak Spanish and *Kauke*. This community is in direct touch with more advanced centres such as Cuzco, Chunchu and Lima. Until the last thirty years the men used to make long journeys on foot for the sheep and cattle

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Lake Titicaca is subject to periodic fluctuations; its level rising and falling in regular sequence. One of the great falls in its level (sixteen feet in five years) began in 1944 leading to the almost complete disappearance of the *tatora* a species of typha growing on the banks and in the shallows of the lake which is an extremely important raw material in native industries. At the outset the disappearance of the *tatora* was a calamity. Owing to the shortage of raw material for building their rafts the Indians were in danger of being left with no means of communication. This problem which also affected the inhabitants of the other islands and peninsulas in the lake led to the use of sailing boats. In this way the journey from Taquile to Puno was reduced from fifteen to four or five hours. The first boat was bought but the others were built on the island by the Indians who now have five of them. The growth of landownership and the change in communications have quite altered conditions in the island. The closely knit community has come safely through a stage of crucial importance. Although the Indians have become the owners of almost the whole island and although the performance of services without payment for the former owners has been abolished the importance of the island in the life of the country has not increased and scarcely any progress has been made with its assimilation. Ownership of land is now in the hands of individuals but the land lying fallow is used for common pasturage; the system of cultivation follows the traditional pattern; the same crops are grown and the same implements used for tilling the land—the *taklla* (a primitive foot plough) and the ox-drawn plough. The work is done both individually and collectively; the systems of *ayni* (mutual help) *minka* (communal work)

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peasants but no *mitimaes* are losing their old skill at the loom. The people are quiescent to developments but conservative as the survival of their language shows

The extensive areas set aside for pasture could support larger flocks and herds which would enable the community to supply the coastal market. The sale of wool is already bringing in a large income but the money is not very wisely used. The productive capacity of the narrow gorge where the peasants grow their crops on long established terraces is steadily diminishing as a result of the use of unsatisfactory farm implements, unskilful repair of the terraces and the shortage of water at certain times although there are lakes on the mountain tops. The peasants all own small plots of land in various parts of the gorge and cultivate them by different methods. There are three separate forms of labour: *maga* or work by a man or woman paid by the day, *tuma* or voluntary help given in the hope of receiving similar help known as *retuma* (this is the old system of *ayni*) and finally *fajna* or communal labour (the traditional *minka*).

The diet here unlike that of population of Taquile is poor and inadequate although generally speaking the economic standard of the latter community is the lower. Trade is well established, the members of the community begin young and learn to trade by taking cattle or cheese down to the coast, some of them have opened small shops in the village of which there are at present fifteen.

The influence of Catholicism is declining although the religious institutions and brotherhoods dating from the seventeenth century are still powerful. From the economic standpoint the latter act as small banks for the members. The loans they make by the year never exceed 200 soles (about £A) and the interest is constantly added to the capital. There are about thirty of these brotherhoods and every peasant belongs to at least one of them. The idea that interest capital should produce interest is thus well established

needed in the way of machinery and of *mitimaes* they try to give their children better opportunities by sending them to school in the towns. Tupe is a community in transition and like many others is waiting to become a part of a larger entity which will give it a new lease of life. For the time being it is drifting along by itself without problems of landownership, valries with its neighbours or imminent dangers besetting it.

#### THE COMMUNITY OF MUQUIYAUYO

This community enjoys a very definite prestige which since 1921 has spread beyond the frontiers of Peru and accounts for the interest still taken by anthropologists in Muquiyauyo. It is a typical example of what a *mestizo* group in the

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trade. As a consequence of the development of communications they have given up this practice and now scarcely ever leave their own part of the country where they carry on agriculture their principal form of activity and stock rearing. The main road linking them with the large towns is four or five hours walk away and like the neighbouring communities they are trying to build themselves a connecting road. The community lives at an altitude of about 9 300 feet in a mountainous gorge in the Andes. Like most of the communities in the Department of Lima it leads an isolated life: the ground is so broken that the villages have very little contact with one another. The greatest concentration of these communities is at Huarochiri where there are twelve of them. Generally speaking communication with the outside world is by way of the nearest valley to the neighbouring coastal towns and by way of the latter with Lima.

There have never been large estates owned by outsiders at Tupe: the land has always been the property of the local peasants. Up to 1820 the land was owned by the community. Up to 1820 the land was owned by the community.

local consumption is derived from the sale of animals (cattle, sheep and goats) and from the sale of wool and cheese. The *puna* at an altitude of about 13 000 to 16 000 feet is the only land still held in common and there the flocks are reared. The community itself has a capital fund which was established a long time ago and is increased year by year by the contributions of the members of the community and the interest on investments in the shape of annual loans. Women on an equal footing with men play a very active part in the life of the community: the work and responsibilities they undertake (the agricultural work is entirely in their hands) give them prestige and the men are thus left free to engage in trade. The preservation of the old traditions is very largely due to the women's influence.

Unlike the school at Taquile that at Tupe which was established fifty years ago has already achieved much: the members of the community themselves being responsible for its success. It is now however going through a period of crisis. (Because of the past history of the place there are still a few people in Lima who originally came from Tupe and are interested in the welfare of the community although as things are at present they can take no effective action on its behalf.)

For administrative purposes the village comes under three institutions—the Government, the municipality and the community council. The field of the first is purely political: the municipality is short of money and of very little importance; the community council in fact carries out the necessary improvements and development work. Without any encouragement from the authorities of the department and province the Indians have been carrying out the projects they consider most desirable or accepting suggestions from people living in Lima who originally came from the community.

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Some of the money collected was invested in machinery for a spinning mill. The company Textil Muquiyauyo has a capital of 300,000 soles. It owns its premises which have been handed over to the community. The machines have been installed but it has not so far produced a considerable amount of cloth.

Each man has been paid only 40 cents per arroba (25 lb) while others have to pay 80 cents. The mill is run by a 10 h.p. dynamo. The staff includes a miller who is paid on a percentage basis by the month and a voluntary manager.

Why did such a community once embarked on the process of industrialization, fail to complete it in spite of the equipment acquired?

The following are some of the factors that have helped to cause this stagnation:

1. The ratio of people to land has been completely changed. The population increased from 2,000 in 1918 to 5,100 in 1952. Of the eight square miles intended for the cultivation of food crops, half is now used for growing feeding stuffs for the cattle and sheep. The ratio has thus been completely reversed. This is due to the very large production of milk—220 gallons a day for five months of the year and 70 for the remaining months, almost all of which is produced for sale outside Muquiyauyo and brings in a considerable income. Malnutrition is beginning to affect the community. There is clear evidence of it in the poor work done by the schoolchildren. The problem is becoming serious and efforts are being made to solve it (mistakenly) by bringing into use part of the forest area, although there are still non-irrigated lands where the water problem, though difficult, is not insoluble.
2. The new generations have not fully replaced their predecessors, most of whom have now died or emigrated. The school has ceased to play the leading part it did some thirty years ago; the old enthusiasm has abated. The best members of the population have left the district for the mining centres and there is no family which has not at least one of its members in the mines. This work pays well, especially as Muquiyauyo still has a good reputation coming from the community is well received. It is a pity that many of them die of disease. The community who is now left to take part in the communal work is now left to take part in the communal work.

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The factors which made the development of the community possible were the following:

- 1 Two thousand inhabitants in possession of some eight square miles of fertile ground producing such abundant crops as to permit the sale of the surplus and who displayed a strong community spirit.
  - 2 Until 1900 there was a clearly marked division into castes (mestizo and Indian) each of which had its own authorities. Since then the social organization has changed and the land has been divided up: collective ownership has given way to private ownership but the land is still communal to the Church.
  - 3 Through the school an energetic education campaign benefited both Indians and mestizos and rapidly provided Muquiyauyo with qualified leaders whose influence was readily accepted. Education was the basis on which the teachers and organizers relied for the future development of the community.
  - 4 The community found that its original capital furnished by the contributions of its members was considerably increased by the fines imposed for failure to take part in communal work and by the interest of 2 and 5 per cent charged on the loans granted up to a maximum of 200 soles to its members. The main reason for the economic success was the good agricultural yield and the existence of such markets in the vicinity as Jauja the capital of the province six miles away, Huancayo, the main railway station in Peru, and the railway and the valley.
  - 5 The steady development of neighbouring mining centres quickly began to attract workers. The influence was felt in Muquiyauyo as in the other communities and gradually its young men went to work in the mines the good wages paid them increasing the economic strength of the community. Those who were regarded as Indians in the community say that they could get good jobs there and this gave rise to a spirit of real competition (Within the group the Indians and mestizos are still distinguished although outsiders class them all as Indians).
- The various circumstances created an atmosphere conducive to progress which in 1918 led the members of the community to establish a hydro-electric power station. They formed a company to carry out the necessary steps and in 1920 the station was completed at a cost of 100,000 soles. The station is equipped

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In conclusion we may draw attention to a few important aspects of the Peruvian Indian communities:

- 1 The Peruvian Indian communities take an inferior place in the cultural structure of present day Peru. There are however shades of difference and variations in the stage of development to be seen among them as in the cases of Taquile, Tüpe and Muquiyauyo.
- 2 The common denominator is a consumption economy based on the combination of agriculture and stock rearing (the latter on a small scale).
- 3 From the cultural point of view they are ill equipped to cope with the changes to which the introduction of modern technology for the purposes of industrial development may give rise.
- 4 They constitute ideal basic units for the development of a large region of Peru—the mountain district where more than half the population of the country lives. They can be made productive supplying the nation with adequate quantities of foodstuffs and can help in the development of modern industry maintaining a proper balance between the number of people and the area of arable land available. They were able to produce a considerable quantity of crops between the twelfth and sixteenth centuries under the Inca empire.

5 The cultural development of several of them (e.g. Muquiyauyo) shows that in this respect no advance is possible even for an energetic community unless an overall plan supported by the authorities must be based on a firm basis. This means that

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The second task of the meeting of Secretaries General was to draw up a draft questionnaire to serve as a basis for the preparation of national reports on the teaching of the different disciplines in the countries mentioned. The purpose of the questionnaire was to show what information was required and to ensure as much uniformity as possible in the presentation of the data collected.

It remained for the meeting to define the meaning and content of the term social sciences. It very soon became apparent that to work out an exact and systematic definition of the various social science disciplines, their respective fields and their mutual relations, would have required a considerable amount of preliminary work, and that even then there would have been no guarantee that the results achieved would be generally acceptable. There is still no clear definition of the content of the social sciences: often the most fundamental concepts, as well as the terminology, vary from country to country. To quote only one example, social anthropology in the sense accepted in Great Britain differs from cultural anthropology as taught in the United States. In France the term *anthropologie sociale* is not at all commonly used in universities; moreover, what is taught as this subject often comes under the heading of *ethnologie*.

Nevertheless, in order to conduct a general inquiry into the teaching of social sciences, the Secretariat had to have some definition of their content. It therefore decided to adopt the empirical method of requesting the various international associations accustomed to working with the Secretariat to assume responsibility for the inquiry in their own particular fields. Thus the International Sociological Association was entrusted with the inquiry on sociology, interpreted in a very wide sense so as to include anthropology and social psychology; the International Economic Association was entrusted with the inquiry on political economy; the International Political Science Association with the inquiry on political science; the International Committee of Comparative Law with the inquiry on law and the philosophy of law; and the International Studies Conference with the inquiry on international relations. Subsequently, the Econometric Society was assigned the task of preparing a report on the teaching of econometrics.

The inquiry was to be limited to university studies. Each of the International Associations appointed a rapporteur general for its field of study, as a whole. The following were chosen: for sociology, Professor Pierre de Bie of Louvain University; for economics, Mr C. W. Guillebaud of St John's College, Cambridge; for political science, Professor W. A. Robson of the London School of Economics and Political Science; London; for law, Professor J. P. Niboyet of the Faculty of Law of Paris University. Professor Niboyet, who died shortly afterwards, was replaced by Professor C. Eusemann of the same university; for international relations, Professor C. A. W. Manning of the London School of Economics and Political Science, London.

The preliminary phase and the organization of the inquiry ended with a second meeting of the five rapporteurs general, held in London on 17 and 18 July 1951. All the problems raised by the inquiry, and particularly that of the drafting of the questionnaire, were again studied, and steps were taken to ensure reception at the earliest possible date of the reports on all the countries included in the general list. In all, 54 experts submitted national reports to the five international associations responsible for the inquiry into social science teaching (see Appendix I, p. 487).

The General Conference of Unesco at its session in Paris in 1951 expressed a wish that the inquiry should be continued and authorized the Director General in the following resolution to embark on the second phase namely that of the compilation and presentation of the data collected.

The Director General authorized To formulate the results of the inquiry carried out in 1951 into the teaching of the social sciences so that Member States and the competent international organizations may derive therefrom substantial principles for the development and improvement of this teaching. (Resolution 6C/3.15)

In pursuance of the above resolution agreements were concluded with the various international associations for the organization of round table meetings and the preparation and discussion of the general reports concerning their respective disciplines. Further at the request of the rapporteurs-general the Secretariat undertook to obtain information about the general structure of higher education, and particularly about the university teaching of social sciences in the eight countries covered by the general inquiry. To this end reports were prepared by the following experts: Messrs M. Taha Hussein (Egypt), J. Chapsal (France), S. Mathai (India), G. Casanova (Mexico) and R. Enkén (Sweden). Sir Ernest Barker (United Kingdom), M. H. Taylor (United States of America) and Mr R. Uvalic (Yugoslavia).

Marking the final stage of the inquiry an inter-disciplinary meeting was held in Paris from 16 to 19 September 1952 in order to formulate a series of recommendations regarding ways of improving existing methods of social science teaching. A detailed account of these recommendations will be given in the next paragraph. It should be mentioned that this meeting of 20 experts from 11 different countries (see Appendix II) was required to consider in the light of the data collected and presented by the rapporteurs-general all the work accomplished since 1951 and to study certain problems which it was apparently essential to solve if social science teaching in universities was to be developed. These problems were as follows: (a) the status of the social sciences in universities; (b) the place of social sciences in general education and their role in training for certain careers; and (c) the training and recruitment of university teachers. The experts' report was submitted to the General Conference of Unesco at its seventh session in September 1952 and distributed by the Secretariat.

In approving the experts' report the General Conference at its seventh session decided that the inquiry into social science teaching should be followed up by practical achievements. To that end it passed the following resolution: The Director General is authorized to encourage social science teaching in universities and secondary schools emphasizing the contribution to that such community. (Resolution 3.14.1)

The Secretariat immediately undertook a threefold project: The publication of separate volumes of the five general reports prepared under the sponsorship of the International Associations: *The Teaching of Physical Science* by W. A. Robson, *The Teaching of International Relations* by C. A. W. Manning, *The Teaching of Economics* by C. W. Guillebaud, *The Teaching of Law* by C. Eisenmann, *The Teaching of Sociology* by P. de B. C. Lévi Strauss and J. Nuttin.

The second task of the meeting of Secretaries General was to draw up a draft questionnaire to serve as a basis for the preparation of national reports on the teaching of the different disciplines in the countries mentioned. The purpose of the questionnaire was to show what information was required and to ensure as much uniformity as possible in the presentation of the data collected.

It remained for the meeting to define the meaning and content of the term social sciences. It very soon became apparent that to work out an exact and systematic definition of the various social science disciplines, their respective fields and their mutual relations would be a considerable amount of work. There have been no guarantee that the social sciences often the most fundamental concepts as well as the terminology vary from country to country. Only one example: the term *anthropology* differs from country to country. The term *anthropology* is commonly used in universities; moreover, what is taught as this subject often comes under the heading of *ethnology*.

Nevertheless, in order to conduct a general inquiry into the teaching of social sciences, the Secretariat had to have some definition of their content. It therefore decided to adopt the empirical method of requesting the various international associations accustomed to working with the Secretariat to assume responsibility for the inquiry in their own particular fields. Thus the International Sociological Association was entrusted with the inquiry on sociology, interpreted in a very wide sense so as to include anthropology and social psychology; the International Economic Association was entrusted with the inquiry on political economy; the International Political Science Association with the inquiry on political science; the International Committee of Comparative Law with the inquiry on law and the philosophy of law; and the International Studies Conference with the inquiry on international relations. Subsequently, the Econometric Society was assigned the task of preparing a report on the teaching of econometrics.

The inquiry was to be limited to university studies. Each of the International Associations appointed a rapporteur general for its field of study as a whole. The following were chosen: for sociology, Professor Pierre de Bie of Louvain University; for economics, Mr C. W. Guillebaud of St John's College, Cambridge; for political science, Professor W. A. Robson of the London School of Economics and Political Science, London; for law, Professor J. P. Niboyet of the Faculty of Law of Paris University. Professor Niboyet, who died shortly afterwards, was replaced by Professor C. Eisemann of the same university; for international relations, Professor C. A. W. Manning of the London School of Economics and Political Science, London.

The preliminary phase and the organization of the inquiry ended with a second meeting of the five rapporteurs general held in London on 17 and 18 July 1951. All the problems raised by the inquiry, and particularly that of the drafting of the questionnaire, were again studied and steps were taken to ensure reception at the earliest possible date of the reports on all the countries included in the general list. In all, 54 experts submitted national reports to the five international associations responsible for the inquiry into social science teaching (see Appendix I, p. 487).

and the valuable factors of the cultural diversity of the various peoples. However on a number of specific points the experts put forward suggestions which in their opinion should facilitate the development and improvement of social science teaching.

First and foremost, their conclusions reveal one prime necessity—a determination to break down the excessive divisions between the various branches of social science and their teaching. Such a removal of barriers will lead to exchanges of views from which these disciplines will benefit and bridge the gaps occasionally left between each separate branch of social science. This aim, which can be achieved in several ways according to the different national situations, will certainly be discussed at the various regional conferences to be held in 1954. The experts stressed that whatever the institutional formula adopted it is essential that study cycles should be organized for each branch of the social sciences and that all these cycles should lead to equivalent diplomas.

The experts further emphasized the need for citizens to understand the organization and working of the society in which they are required to live; they therefore indicated to universities the desirability of studying the place that the social sciences should take in general education and the part those sciences should play in the general and professional training of students who were preparing for certain careers requiring a thorough knowledge of social sciences such as the careers of civil servant, trade union official, architect, town planner, journalist, lawyer, etc.

#### *Teaching and Training in the Social Sciences*

The experts who met in September 1953 discussed the problems arising for all social science disciplines in regard to teaching and training. Considering that it was perhaps in this field that the greatest account must be taken of national habits, traditions and, to some extent, outline the experts considered that social science teaching should always be in line with the two following principles:

1. Students of whatever branch of social science should be given a general view of the social sciences as a whole so that they can appreciate the complexity and interdependence of the problems which arise in any and every human society.
2. Students should be able to specialize at a relatively early stage in the discipline or group of disciplines in which they are to carry out work of a scientific or practical nature.

The means of carrying these general principles into practice cannot be discussed here in full. But the regional conferences planned in 1954 have paid special attention to the experts' recommendations on this subject and particularly to the suggestions concerning a better organization of students' work. Questions of methods of work (team or individual) links between teaching and research as well as examinations and the conferring of university degrees should in each case be considered in the light of practical realities so that solutions can be worked out which can later be applied at the national level.

#### *Recruitment of Teachers*

In the social sciences as in any other field of scientific knowledge the method of recruiting teachers and the qualifications required of them vary considerably from one country to another. On the one hand we have teacher



Unesco is also issuing booklets for students on all the countries covered by the inquiry. Three of these booklets on the teaching of the various social science disciplines in France, the United Kingdom and the United States of America have already been published.

- 2 Furthermore the Secretariat organized three regional conferences in 1951 on social science teaching: the first at New Delhi and the other two at Beirut and in Costa Rica. There could be no question of recommending that all nations adopt a uniform system of teaching and regional conferences attended by representatives of countries with close geographical and cultural links will provide a means of working out in further detail how the recommendations put forward by the experts who met from 16 to 19 September 1952 can be applied to those countries. Above all these conferences by affording an opportunity of discussing how general principles can be embodied in a way for national conferences embodying the findings of regional meetings.
- 3 Lastly the Secretariat made arrangements for the despatch to Latin America and Pakistan of two missions of experts which were placed at the Governments' disposal. The experts appointed are in possession of the fullest possible information on the organization of social science teaching in the countries they visit.

#### THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 1952 COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS

As we have seen the recommendations adopted by the 1952 Committee of Experts form a general set of principles for the improvement of social science teaching and it is proposed that they should be carried into effect through the organization of regional and later national conferences and the sending of missions of experts. They thus form a guide for action so that in accordance with the resolution adopted by the General Conference at its sixth session Member States and the competent international organizations may derive (from the results of the inquiry) suitable principles for the development and improvement of (social science) teaching. In this connexion brief mention should be made of the main proposals put forward by the experts concerning the status of the social sciences in universities, teaching and training in the social sciences and the recruitment of teachers.

#### *Status of the Social Sciences in Universities*

On studying the information assembled by the various international associations in the course of the inquiry the experts were impressed by what seemed to be its very great diversity. In most countries social science teaching has been introduced by gradual stages into existing university structures. This was done in various ways—in some cases through the slow and as it were organic evolution of the national system, in others by the systematic assimilation of foreign influences or models. Accordingly there could be no question of general recommendations that ignored the universities' historical evolution.

We thus see that, owing to the very nature of the problems brought to light by the inquiry, it would be natural to extend this inquiry in at least three further directions

So far as the disciplines in question are concerned further study should be instituted and information assembled so as to fill in some of the most serious gaps in the 1951 international inquiry. For this purpose the Draft Programme and Budget for 1955-56 provides for the organization of an inquiry into the present status of the teaching of statistics, demography, public administration and industrial relations in the eight countries originally selected for the international inquiry. The results of the inquiry will supply material for several booklets to be issued in the *Ta-hun in the Social Sciences* series.

The international inquiry has so far been confined to higher education. But the social sciences should possibly be regarded as part of any general education in which case they ought to be included in secondary and even primary school curricula. This may at first sight seem an attractive and fully justified measure. Instruction in the social sciences is today provided almost exclusively by the university and thus remains the privilege of a minority. Yet it may be asked whether for the smooth working of democracy in the broad sense of the term some basic knowledge of social science should not be supplied to all citizens who periodically have to take decisions on the complex political, economic and social problems facing any human society. The International Political Science Association has been particularly concerned with one point—the termination of the part that should be played by political science in the training of citizens. Should not civics, revitalized by scientific methods, be one of the basic subjects taught at secondary schools? The general imparting of this way of notions of social science seems to raise very great difficulties and educationists are showing some reluctance in the matter. However, it would be difficult to deny the majority of future citizens an opportunity of acquiring some objective grasp of social realities, their complexity and their evolution. Furthermore, the inquiry into social science teaching showed that this teaching cannot be profitable at the university level unless pupils receive some preparation for it in their secondary school studies. The Secretariat, in co-operation with the leading international teachers' associations, has accordingly endeavoured in 1954 to give critical consideration to the present position of secondary schools with regard to such teaching. Experiments already attempted must be analysed and an effort made to assemble information on the basis of which the Secretariat can work out suggestions for teachers.

In addition, it is thought that—following the example set by certain countries though still on a small scale—encouragement should be given to the inclusion of elementary social science lessons for adults in the programmes of folk high schools, evening courses and courses organized by workers' trade unions. This question would probably be of special interest to countries of northern Europe and the United States of America, for instance, where adult education is already highly developed. The Secretariat will therefore see whether a study of this question could be included in one of the organizations.

Of the many problems raised by the links between social science and everyday

recruitment by a fairly rigid system of competitive examination on the other a system that relies mainly on the candidate's personal work and his aptitude for scientific research—recruitment on a basis of qualifications. Both procedures have their advantages and disadvantages and each is the outcome of a particular cultural tradition. The meeting of experts in the conference did however discuss a number of points.

It was agreed that recruitment and these will have to be reverted to at regional conferences. With regard for instance to the role to be allotted in social science teaching to practising professionals the experts thought that in order to link theory with practice recourse should be had for teaching purposes to specialists exercising some extra university profession provided there was always a sufficiently large permanent staff of teachers to control the policy to be followed and the practising professionals were employed simply to supplement them.

As the training of teachers is dependent on the stage reached by the social sciences the experts considered that the underdeveloped countries were bound to make arrangements for study abroad. They emphasized however that cultural differences between the countries in which study is undertaken and those in which teaching is later to be undertaken must be taken into account. It was also considered the most appropriate means of achieving this aim.

#### FUTURE EXTENSION OF THE INQUIRY

The international inquiry conducted in 1951 covered the following disciplines: sociology, social psychology and anthropology, economics and econometrics, law and philosophy of law, political science and international relations.

For many reasons this list cannot be considered to cover all branches of social science. In the first place it is generally recognized that history and geography have many links with the social sciences. Secondly some branches of study such as demography, criminology, public administration and industrial relations the teaching of which is so far not very advanced except in a few countries were disregarded or not dealt with as fully as they would have been had they been surveyed direct. Lastly statistics the techniques of which are extensively used by many branches of social science were not given even incidental consideration.

Furthermore the international inquiry was concerned exclusively with higher education and it is perhaps time to see whether encouragement should not be given to the teaching of the social sciences and the humanities in secondary or perhaps even primary schools.

Attention should also be paid to a number of practical problems raised by the link between the social sciences and everyday activities e.g. problems connected with openings for employment and careers and the training of national and international civil servants.

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It would accordingly be necessary before assessing the possible impact of the factors on teaching to determine the careers for which the social sciences are at present able to supply qualified specialists. In this connexion it is worth pointing out that the international associations have repeatedly stressed the need for an inquiry into the careers open to social scientists and into the type of employment they may find in various sectors of the community. The relatively undeveloped countries also wish to know how a knowledge of social science could improve the performance of a number of social functions. Many of them, especially those where the traditional concentration on law and the humanities has led to unemployment in the liberal professions, would like to know how the traditional training should be modified in order to meet new conditions. The Draft Programme and Budget for 1955-56 draws the attention of the Unesco National Commissions to the importance of this problem of openings and suggests their undertaking an inquiry into supply and demand in social scientists. The Secretariat will naturally make available to these Commissions any information it may be able to assemble on the subject.

Another question raised by the links between social science and everyday living conditions is the training of national and international civil servants.

In view of the increasingly technical character of State functions and of the efforts made to give the decisions of government departments in the political, economic and social fields a firm basis

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be in general education or in specialized schools and its content should be. It has not yet been possible to take up this problem in the organization's current programmes, but it might be included in the 1957-58 programme. The same applies to the training of international civil servants, which has so far been considered only at the national level. The development of international organizations, however, is bound to raise the question of the training of their officials, especially if technical assistance is widely extended. In particular, the training of technical assistance experts raises considerable problems, complicated by the fact that the persons who have to receive such training come from different cultural backgrounds, have received widely varying education and are often required to take up their duties in countries with very different cultural traditions. Many plans for the training of international civil servants have already been put forward, but no systematic study of the subject has been undertaken, and it is felt that Unesco could usefully investigate the possibilities in consultation with the United Nations and appropriate specialized agencies.

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In 1951 Unesco set up a small pilot study in the United States in order to test the effectiveness of these pamphlets as teaching aids in American high schools and colleges. The aim of the study was to ascertain to what extent exposure to the pamphlets contributed to the existing knowledge of its readers and affected prejudiced attitudes.

The execution of the study was entrusted to the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), a committee appointed for this purpose consisting of Dr. Otto Klineberg, Dr. Dorwin Cartwright, and Dr. Stuart Cook. Dr. Gerhart Saenger of New York University was asked to act as project director of the study, co-sponsored by Unesco and SPSSI.

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Using a captive audience such as students it may appear at first glance that it would not be possible to obtain information concerning our first variable Yet college students do not always read all their assignments We were there f re able to find out whether the less informed and more prejudiced subjects who could benefit most from reading were reached as often as the other students

Some clarification is also needed concerning the difference between the attainment of new information and understanding It is possible to acquire new facts in a mechanical way without understanding their implications so as to be able to make deductions Education sometimes succeeds only in enabling the student to check the correct answer on a true false question He fails however in grasping its meaning is unable to express the idea in his own words

# OBSTACLES TO USE OF PAMPHLETS IN HIGH SCHOOLS

In many communities the United Nations and especially Unesco are considered controversial topics Most school administrators therefore appear to hesitate to expose the students to Unesco materials

Interviews with school superintendents in New York and New Jersey communities and from a population of 5000 to a population of 400000 indicated that this fear goes back to the successful fight of patriotic groups in Los Angeles against the use of a series of Unesco publications explaining the work and philosophy of the organization In the debate on the use of the pamphlets in California Unesco was accused of alienating the loyalties of the school children from the United States and of advocating socialism

This type encouraged to apprehensions among school administrators concerning the use of public schools of any Unesco publications regardless of their content Most administrators spontaneously referred to the California case when asked for permission to conduct a study in their district

I discussed the topic of the Unesco study with the school executives of R County and this was the consensus of opinion of the members attending the meeting that they could rather not become involved in a study of this type at the present time They feel that you have a worthy project but due to unfavorable publicity as far as the UN and Unesco is concerned it would be disastrous to conduct a study at this time (Supervising Principal)

The impressions gained from discussions with school administrators were confirmed by talks with teachers from a fairly large number of communities in the eastern seaboard gathered for an educational conference in New York City

Metropolitan New York constituted an exception The Board of Education was willing to cooperate in the project However civic pressure against the use of any attitude scales dealing with information about attitudes toward racial or religious groups would have made the study of doubtful value The board gave permission only for the use of strictly informational items and excluded any questions making reference to specific ethnic groups Even such a limited study was to be conducted only in selected schools having



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The effectiveness of the pamphlets can be described in terms of the following conditions the pamphlets must reach their audience they must be comprehensible they must succeed in increasing information their message must be understood to the extent that the reader can draw his own conclusions apply

be read by the third of the nation's adults who have had at least some college education. But even the college students often complained about difficulties and the unattractive make up of the pamphlets.

#### THE COLLEGE SAMPLE

Five colleges were chosen to test the effectiveness of the pamphlets among college students: the School of Education of New York University, Montclair Teachers College and Upsala University in New Jersey, Kent State University, Ohio, and the University of Wisconsin. The choice of colleges in the east as well as the middle west was dictated by the desire to have a more representative sample. It was expected that the midwestern students would in general be more prejudiced, less friendly toward the United Nations and less exposed to previous intergroup education. The study did not bear out our assumption that midwestern students were more prejudiced and had less intergroup education. It was found, however, that midwesterners were less favourably inclined toward the United Nations than eastern students.

In the east, metropolitan NYU had the least prejudiced students, followed by Montclair, a New Jersey State Teachers College, Upsala, a small denominational liberal arts college, had the lowest scholastic standard and the highest amount of prejudice. In the midwest, Kent State University was more prejudiced than those of the

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may constitute a small bias in so far as courses are generally slightly more liberal than those not taking them. The total sample in all five colleges amounted to 635 cases. Not all students were always present during the four class periods required to administer all tests, and others failed to heed the written instructions correctly or omitted question. The analysis was based on 450 cases.

#### RESEARCH DESIGN

In order to test the effectiveness of exposure to the pamphlets, the total population in each college was divided into three groups: (1) a control group which took all the tests used to establish effectiveness, but did not read the pamphlets; (2) an experimental group which read the pamphlets but did not discuss them; and (3) a group which read and discussed the pamphlets prior to taking the tests (omitted in NYU).

The effectiveness of education may be reduced by the frequently observed tendency of potential audiences to avoid exposure to ideas with which they find themselves in disagreement. We also tend to avoid reading materials produced by persons or organizations toward whom we harbour unfriendly attitudes. To study the effect of such resistances, a test measuring prejudicial attitudes, a test measuring attitudes toward Unesco, and the California F scale were given prior to exposure to the reading materials.

The administration of these tests made it possible not only to study the effect of resistance on exposure to the Unesco materials and on the acquisition

exceptionally high scholastic standards and known for good work in intergroup relations. Because of all these limitations it was decided not to attempt a study in New York high schools.

Not much was lost however because it is fairly safe to predict that the pamphlets would have been ineffectual on the high school level. School principals, social science teachers and experts in intergroup education stated almost unanimously that the pamphlets were too difficult even for juniors and seniors. Two New York principals expressed the belief that only the 10 per cent of the students with the highest scholastic aptitude would be able to comprehend the pamphlets. They criticized specifically the frequent use of difficult words not found in the average vocabulary, the too long sentences, the lack of concrete examples and of pictures. They thought that the appearance of the pamphlets would not create sufficient incentive toward reading, would not appeal. Several teachers contended that today's high school student will not read books unless they are attractively covered and amply illustrated.

Criticism was extended even toward the popular condensation of three pamphlets appearing under the title *What is Race?* One principal known for his work in intergroup education stated that the children would not be able to see the connexion between the exposition of the Mendelian laws taking up the greater part of this pamphlet and racial differences let alone the problem of prejudice and tension in their everyday lives.

To obtain some scientific measure concerning the difficulties presented by the pamphlets the Flesch Reading Index was applied to all pamphlets used in the study. By measuring sentence and word length one arrives at a score which expresses the amount of education necessary to comprehend a given reading matter and indicates the proportion of persons in the United States who may be able to benefit from it.

The analysis indicated that two pamphlets, *Race and Culture* and *Racial Myths*, can be read successfully only by persons who have completed college or are near completion. *Race and Psychology* and *Race and Biology* present no difficulties for the average college sophomore.

TABLE I Readability of Six Unesco Pamphlets

Score range Flesch Index	School grade required for comprehension	Percentage of population able to be read from reading level	Pamphlet score in order of increasing difficulty
90-100	5th	93	<i>Roots of Prejudice</i> 48
80-90	6th	91	<i>What is Race?</i> 46
70-80	7th	88	<i>Race and Biology</i> 37
60-70	8-9th	83	<i>Race and Psychology</i> 34
50-60	10-12th (high school)	54	<i>Racial Myths</i> 18
30-50	13-16th (college)	33	<i>Race and Culture</i> 16
0-30	Completed college	5	

*Roots of Prejudice* and *What is Race?* the popular version mainly of *Race and Biology* can be comprehended by a majority of those who have completed high school. Four of the pamphlets are thus useful in American colleges and

answers and hence have to guess. The nature of the guesses is presumed to be indicative of their attitudes. The items included questions concerning the proportion of Negroes in the U.S.A. in 1900 and 1950, the average income figures for various ethnic groups, the proportion of Negroes with mental diseases. It is thought that overestimates of the growth of the Negro population or of the income of Jews is related to prejudice.

As in most projective tests of this sort the disguise is not perfect and it may be possible to detect the intent of the questions. To some extent the nature of the guesses will also be related to information. The prejudiced person may know that prejudiced individuals are easily inclined to overrate the income of people they dislike or may in some rare instances even have learned the answers to our questions. Hence it appeared important to validate our projective questionnaire.

A first approach consisted in keeping information constant to ascertain whether the relationship found between our open prejudice scale and the projective test would disappear. In the latter case the projective test would have measured information exclusively rather than attitudes.

TABLE 2 Relationship of Prejudice Scores Measured by an Open Attitude Test and a Projective Test of Prejudice for Informed and Uninformed Readers of the Pamphlet *Roots of Prejudice*

Prejudice Projective test	Prejudice scores					
	Well informed		Medium		Uninformed	
	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High
Low	37 /	38 /	34 /	22	33 /	29
Medium	34	36	33 /	45 /	39 /	29
High	29	2	33	33	28 /	42 /
N	44	47	36	51	20	35

No significant difference in projective scores between those who had scored low and those who scored high on the initial test occurred among those who were generally well informed on our subject matter. The high prejudice score can appear to do slightly better than the less prejudiced. They may have seen through the intent of the disguised projective test and being well informed we are able to give the correct answers. Significant relations however existed among those who were less well informed. Apparently this type of projective test works better among relatively uninformed individuals. Presumably the open attitude test is not conclusive because prejudiced persons who live in a society which frowns upon race bias may tend to hide their real feelings. We should therefore not rely solely upon the doubtful undisguised attitude test to validate our disguised test.

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of new information but was useful also for ascertaining how well matched control and experimental groups were

To study gains in information and understanding all groups were given knowledge and understanding tests after a period of four weeks. During this time the experimental groups were asked to read the pamphlets *Comparisons between the experimental and control groups established the amount of learning which took place*

The Montclair and NYU students were asked to read all five pamphlets in the original Unesco series and given slightly more time for reading Kent and Wisconsin upon request of their instructors were exposed to only three pamphlets *Roots of Prejudice*, *Race and Psychology* and *Race and Culture*. The Upsala students read *Roots of Prejudice*, *Racial Myths* and the popular version of *Race and Biology* entitled *What is Race?*

To measure the effect of the reading upon prejudiced attitudes a disguised test was employed. Research in race relations has shown that students often merely learn to give correct democratic replies to attitude tests rather than experiencing a change of attitude. Moreover the before and after method has the disadvantage that we do not know whether a change of scores in an attitude test given after exposure to the educational material is due to the effect of the material or the result of exposure to a previous attitude test. For this reason changes in attitude were measured by comparing the projective attitude test scores of the experimental and the control groups.

To measure not only changes in general ethnic attitudes but to obtain information concerning the readers' willingness to act upon their attitudes all groups were asked to indicate their willingness to participate in various phases of the Unesco educational programme.

#### TESTS USED

Both the test on Attitudes toward the United Nations and on Attitudes toward Different Racial and Ethnic Groups consisted almost entirely of fixed alternative questions permitting a score range of 18 and 9 points. The three different tests used to measure increases in information consisted of true false and multiple choice questions. The knowledge tests used to measure the effects of reading the pamphlets *Roots of Prejudice* and *Racial Myth* (with emphasis on the former) as well as the test designed to measure the effects of exposure to *Race and Biology* or *What is Race?* had a total range of 27 score points. The test used to measure the effect of *Race and Psychology* and *Race and Culture* had a total range of 18 points. For purposes of comparison the scores were converted to a percentage scale. A score of 0 points represents correct answers to all questions or a perfect knowledge score. A score of 100 indicates that all questions were answered wrong.

Understanding was measured by asking open ended questions related to the pamphlet content. While the direct answers were not given in the pamphlets the questions could be answered easily if the factual materials given in the pamphlets were absorbed and understood correctly i.e. if the reader was able to generalize from his readings.

The projective test employed consisted of an adaptation of an information test designed by Donald T. Campbell. The students are asked to answer apparent information questions to which they are not likely to know the

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TABLE 3 Relationship between Character and Prejudice

Projective test	Character type				Authoritarian
	Democrat	3 Med m	3 Med m	3 Med m	
Low prejudice	60 /	36 /	35 /	30 /	2
Medium prejudice	37 /	31 /	31 /	35 /	41
High prejudice	3 /	33 /	34 /	35 /	37 /
No	30	55	77	59	59
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# FACTORS DETERMINING AMOUNT OF READING

How much time did the students actually spend in reading the pamphlets which had been assigned to them? Sixty three per cent of the midwestern students spent more than one hour on each pamphlet as compared to 30 per cent of the eastern subjects. We can attribute this difference partially to the fact that the eastern students had more pamphlets to read and partially to greater pressure exerted by the instructors in the midwestern institutions. In Kent State University some classroom time was allotted to the reading of the pamphlets. From a practical point of view it does not seem advisable to assign more than three pamphlets per term to even relatively highly motivated groups.

Differences in the relative appeal of the pamphlets were indicated by the amount of time devoted to the reading of different pamphlets. Such differences in appeal were particularly marked in our eastern colleges where the pressure toward reading was more in accord with the normal effort usually made by college teachers to have students attend to their assignments. It could not express itself in the middle west not only because fewer pamphlets were assigned but also because there was greater insistence on reading all three of them.

Judging from the amount of time spent in reading *Roots of Prejudice* turned out to be the most popular pamphlet followed closely by the booklet *Racial Myths*. *Race and Biology* turned out to be the least popular pamphlet in spite of the fact that the Uppsala students were permitted to read the illustrated version of *Pace and Biology* appearing in an attractive cover. In the two institutions

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It appears possible that the greater popularity of *Roots of Prejudice* is related to the relative unfamiliarity with its topic. Students had been exposed from their high school days to materials dealing with the content of Klineberg's pamphlet but not with that of Rose's. Judging from comments *Pace and Bol J* was unpopular because it was difficult to see how its content related to the actuality of race relations in the modern world. In attempting to explain differences in appeal, however, we should not overlook the possibility that the ease of readability of *Roots of Prejudice* contributed to its greater popularity.

Particularly in the east where the students had more leeway, the more prejudiced students tended to read less than the rest of the group. But resistance to reading caused by prejudice was by no means uniform. It affected mostly the reading of those pamphlets which had less appeal and as we shall see later operated to minimize gains in information and changes in attitude. *Roots of Prejudice* was read as much if not more so by the more prejudiced than by the less prejudiced. Moreover, the amount of resistance was limited. *Race and Psychology* was still read by 53 per cent of the more prejudiced students.

TABLE 4. Effect of Prejudice on Reading of Selected Pamphlets by Students in Eastern Colleges

Amount of time spent in reading	<i>Roots of Prejudice</i>			<i>Race and Psychology</i>			<i>Race and Biology</i>		
	Low prej	Med. prej	High prej	Low prej	Med. prej	High prej	Low prej	Med. prej	High prej
No									
Less than 1 hour	2	3	3	23	59	47	4	50	54
More than 1 hour	43	42	3	3	23	4	26	28	36
	35	28	4	46	18	12	34	22	10

The attitude toward the United Nations also influenced the amount of reading. With the exception of the most prejudiced eastern students, however, a less positive attitude toward the United Nations appeared to make the students more eager to read the pamphlets issued by the organization. They may have been more anxious to find out what UNESCO had to say in the light of the hostile propaganda which the organization was subjected. We may suspect also that those less favourable toward UN may easily have approached the pamphlets in a more sceptical frame of mind and were less likely to learn from



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TABLE 6 Gains in Information Resulting from Reading

Percent of questions answered correctly	Racial Prejudice & Racial Myths				Racial Psychology & Racial Control			
	East		Middle west		East		Middle west	
	Not read	Read	Not read	Read	Not read	Read	Not read	Read
Informed								
8-100								
61-80								
41-60	16	3	4	6	30			
21-40	52	44	24	25	62	36	44	
Uninformed	28	40	35	58	8	49	52	38
1-2		10	3	10		9	4	60
	4	3	2	1	—	2	—	2
						4	—	—

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The reader may recall that particularly in the east refusal to read may be caused by resistance resulting from prejudice. Our expectation that the non-reader in the experimental group would have a lower score than the unselected population, was borne out by our results.

Particularly in the middle west however those who read extensively knew less than those who had done only some reading. Again this may perhaps be explained in terms of our previous finding that those least friendly toward the United Nations were inclined to read more. They may have read more in order to find fault with the publication. They approached the pamphlets with an attitude not conducive to the acquisition of information.

Discussion of the pamphlets was in general slightly more effective than mere reading and particularly so for the pamphlet *Race and Progress*. In view of the Unesco objective to contribute to information as well as to combat prejudiced attitudes we asked ourselves whether increases in information may by themselves lead to favourable changes in attitude. The data indicate that our relatively unprejudiced students know substantially more about the causes of prejudice than our more prejudiced students and appear also slightly better informed about the nature of racial differences.

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Attitudes	Eastern student			Midwestern student		
	Root	Psych.	C.H.	Root	Psych.	C.H.
Low prejudice	/	/	/	/	/	/
Pro UN	36	41	32	60	57	79
Anti UN	35	46	23	46	46	46
	43	54	40	65	60	47
High prejudice	33	17	18	63	55	74
Pro UN	35	21	15	36	36	64
Anti UN	12	0	10	75	62	77

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6-80								
41-60	16	3	4	6	30	36	44	
21-40	52	44	24	25	62	49	52	38
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While some discussion groups did slightly better than classes which only read the pamphlets much appeared to depend upon the ability of the teacher to direct the discussion pointing to the need of adding a discussion guide to accompany the series. Altogether however the effect of the pamphlets on understanding was not as marked and clear cut as the improvement achieved in the answers to the factual information questions.

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TABLE 8 Changes in Attitudes as a Result of Exposure to the Unesco Pamphlets as Measured in the Projective Test

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N	62	220	39 /	32 /
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per cent level				

TABLE 7 Information by Prejudice

Percentage of estimated unwillingly	Information			
	Causal (Root of Prejudice)		Racial Differences (Racial Psychology)	
	Low prejudice	High prejudice	Low prejudice	High prejudice
Informed	/	/	/	/
81 100	6	0	42	30
61 80	28	17	48	67
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This relation between high prejudice and low information however may be interpreted in different ways. An increase in information concerning the causes of prejudice and the nature of racial differences may lead to a decrease of prejudice. On the other hand it is also possible that the less prejudiced students tend to expose themselves more to information concerning these subjects. They also may approach readings providing new information more with an open mind may be more willing to accept the message than more prejudiced individuals.

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# UNDERSTANDING

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	Control	Experimental	Control	Experimental
Low prejudice	29	35		
Medium prejudice	3 /	31 /	21 /	34 /
High prejudice	36 /	31 /	40	34 /
N	62	220	39	32 /
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TABLE 7 Information by Prejudice

Percent of respondents correctly	Information			
	Causes of prejudice (Roots of Prejudice)		Racial differences (Racial Psychology)	
	Low prejudice	High prejudice	Low prejudice	High prejudice
Informed	/		/	
81 100	6	0	42	30
61 80	28	17	48	67
41 60	45	38	10	3
21 40	21	40	—	—
Uninformed	—		—	
1 20	—	5	—	—

This relation between high prejudice and low information however may be interpreted in different ways. An increase in information concerning the causes of prejudice and the nature of racial differences may lead to a decrease of prejudice. On the other hand it is also possible that the less prejudiced students tend to expose themselves more to information concerning these subjects. They also may approach readings providing new information more with an open mind, may be more willing to accept the message than more prejudiced individuals.

It is most likely that both statements are correct. To the extent that there are individuals who do not have personal (quasi neurotic) needs to maintain their prejudice or are not exposed to very strong pressure toward the maintenance of prejudice to that extent can information help to reduce prejudiced attitudes.

#### UNDERSTANDING

There is evidence that the pamphlets not only contributed to information but were able to deepen the students' understanding of the causes of apparent differences between racial groups. Among others the readers of the pamphlets *Roots of Prejudice* and *Racial Myths* were asked: How do you explain that Negroes are found to be often less productive and ambitious than whites? How does prejudice benefit the majority member? Why is prejudice psychologically harmful to the prejudiced individual?

These questions were asked not only to probe the depth of their understanding but also because we thought that the ability to understand these issues correctly would provide them with an incentive to more enlightened action. It was therefore encouraging to find that those exposed to the pamphlets were more often able to give an answer and gave a correct answer more often.

Particularly in the most prejudiced college the readers of the Unesco booklets had begun to understand that Negroes are less ambitious because



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The earlier discussion on the validity of the projective information test indicates that the test is more likely to be valid for the more prejudiced individuals. These subjects are usually less well informed and hence less likely to guess the correct answer on our test. Moreover, we are actually more certain about the initial attitudes of those scoring high in the initial attitude test. This group consists of persons who are more prejudiced and willing to admit their biases. Individuals who score low on the original test may either be genuinely less prejudiced or more highly prejudiced but unwilling to admit it and perhaps even unaware of their own prejudice.

While changes in information were smaller in the middle west than in the east, we nevertheless find that even the midwestern group experienced a reduction of prejudice after reading the pamphlets. Although the change in the direction of more positive attitudes is twice as great in the east as in the middle west, it is gratifying to note that a change occurred in spite of the strong resistance of the more prejudiced western readers.

Deeply ingrained attitudes are generally hardly changed by a single exposure to a series of educational pamphlets. Moreover, there is some residual doubt as to the accuracy with which our projective test measures change. For these reasons, we had supplemented the projective scale with a questionnaire indicating the student's willingness to participate in the Unesco educational effort. It is more reasonable to expect specific changes relating to the expressed willingness to support a given programme than general changes.

Moreover, if the willingness to support the Unesco programme expressed by the students had been acted upon, larger changes might have resulted not only because the participants would have been occupied with the race problem for a longer time, but also because larger numbers of people could have been reached. Finally, this type of scale measuring the action or motivational component of attitudes is often considered as more significant than scales aiming at expressions of feeling and the cognitive component of attitudes.

TABLE 9. Effect of Exposure to Pamphlets on Willingness to Co-operate in the Unesco Educational Programme

Willing to	East		Middle west			
	T 1		T 1		High school	
	Control	Experimental	Control	Experimental	Control	Experimental
Vote for pamphlets	37 /	77 /	64°	81 /	69°	65
Join committee	24	51 /	50 /	41°	50	34
Lead discussions	9	35 /	44°	31	42	24
Give money	26 0/	58 /	48	65	54°	46
Help research	33°	64 /	54 /	67	50	64
No	46	138	50	106	26	41

Exposure to the pamphlets considerably increased the students' willingness to aid in the Unesco intergroup relations programme. For example 37 per cent of the students in the control group were willing to give money to help the Unesco educational programme compared to 61 per cent of those in classes asked to read the pamphlets. The proportion of students willing to give time to work on the research programme increased by 20 per cent. The percentage of those who were willing to support a move persuading the college to make the pamphlets required reading in introductory social science courses by 8 per cent.

The smallest change occurred in regard to the students' willingness to act as discuss on leaders for high school or college groups designed to improve race relations. Differences in personality may furnish an explanation. Many students may not feel equipped to lead discussions, may be afraid to be in the limelight.

The change again was greater among the less prejudiced students and more pronounced in the east than in the middle west. The highly prejudiced and western students exposed to the pamphlets were decidedly less willing to help in the programme than those not exposed to the Unesco material. They were however willing to aid in the research programme perhaps in order to find out what is wrong with the programme. The reversal of the trend among the more highly prejudiced midwestern students becomes understandable if we recall that this group also contained the largest number of students having a less positive attitude toward the United Nations. In contrast we find in the east both among the less prejudiced and the high prejudice group a greater willingness to support the programme resulting from exposure to the pamphlets.

One may expect that the effect of the pamphlets on our midwestern sample would have been more favorable if less pressure had been employed to make them read the material and perhaps if the introductions to the study had been done by persons more familiar with the work of Unesco and more in sympathy with the project. The more widespread resistance of the midwestern readers diminished the effectiveness of the booklets compared with our eastern sample. On the other hand it is important to remark in conclusion that even here apart from a reduction in prejudice the exposure to the pamphlets and the study had made students more familiar with the work of Unesco and created more favorable attitudes toward the organization.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE STUDIES

Educational publications can be effective only if they reach their audience. It would have been of interest for Unesco to know how many and what type of students in terms of social and ethnic background, racial attitudes and attitudes toward UN would have read the pamphlets if they were deposited in college libraries but not assigned as required reading.

In view of the results of the high school study and continuing widespread resistance toward the use of Unesco materials it would be desirable to ascertain from a cross-section of school and college administrators how many are now or would be willing in the future to make use of Unesco material generally and the pamphlet series on race more specifically. At the same time one could also study how many administrators are familiar with the series. Providing

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THE FOUNDATION FOR CULTURAL CO OPERATION

Vottastraat 41 Amsterdam

The Foundation for Cultural Co-operation (Stichting voor Culturele Samenwerking of Stucsa) Vaststraat 41 Amsterdam was established in 1948 for the purpose of improving cultural relations between the Netherlands and its former colonial territories—Indonesia, Surinam and the Netherlands Antilles. The foundation receives subsidy from the Netherlands Government but is completely free and independent in carrying out its work.

One aspect of its work is to encourage—among other things—the cultural activities of persons of Dutch descent.

O aspect of its work is to encourage — and if necessary to organize — the exchange of persons and cultural commodities. It also encourages interest in Western culture especially the various aspects of Dutch culture in the above mentioned countries at the same time interest in and knowledge of the cultural manifestations of the Netherlands and to some extent, elsewhere. Sticusa has its central offices in Amsterdam with representatives in Jakarta, Makassar and Paramaribo and it co-operates with other cultural institutions in Indonesia, Surinam and the Netherlands Antilles.

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As regards the Netherlands Antilles, St. Lucia has given grant to Dr. G. J. Kruger of the University of Amsterdam for a sociological and geographical investigation for a development plan of the Windward Islands while support of another sociological research project in the Antilles is being considered.

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The centre was established in the autumn of 1951. Its main function is to serve as a clearing house of ideas in an area of the social sciences contributions to which are made by many specialists who often have no or little direct contact with each other. With this objective in mind the centre publishes under the editorship of Mr R. R. Wohl a journal *Economic Development and Cultural Change* which appears five times a year and which is distributed to social scientists in different fields of specialization in many countries both advanced and underdeveloped. The centre also maintains a library of books and documents on economic development and cultural change.

In addition to these co-ordinating and co-operative activities which bring it into contact with persons and institutions outside the University of Chicago the centre carries on a series of research projects of its own. One project under the general direction of Mr B. F. Hoselitz deals with the attempt to evaluate and compare theories of economic development with a view to obtaining more unified positions in this field. Another project concerned with the study of mobilization and primitive population to industrial labour

this project involves comparative studies of factors located in several underdeveloped countries including a careful study of the composition, forms of recruitment, habits of work, income and consumption patterns and other features of the labour force. A third project under the general direction of Mr R. I. C. Brown is concerned with the study of the economic development of underdeveloped countries in this connexion several reports of the World Bank, the Colombo Plan and the five year plan of the Government of India have been critically examined. In addition to these studies which are in progress several other studies are projected e.g. one on the relations between differential land-ownership systems and the process of economic development in selected lesser developed regions under the direction of Mr N. S. Ginsburg, another on the labour problem in Mexico under the direction of Mr S. Rottenberg and a project on the development of a managerial class and labour management relations in Egypt under the direction of Mr F. H. Harbison.

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appear either as separate monographs or as articles. Some of the more important will be published in the research centre's journal either as articles or in the form of 'special numbers'. The rates of subscription for this periodical are \$2.50 for scholars and students and \$4 for libraries and institutions.

THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

The Department of Sociology under the Faculty of Political Science offers a program of courses leading to the degrees of master of arts and doctor of philosophy. A core of training in research methods, social theory and statistics is required of all candidates. The remainder of each student's courses may be selected from fields of study meeting his particular interests.

It is the judgment of the department that, without exception, the field of sociology is a feasible one for the student.

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The third major project of the bureau which bears on underdeveloped countries is recent research on mass communications and the purpose of this research is to study the behaviour in a

the differential roles of mass media among various segments of the population will be described and analysed. The project is under the direction of Mr Paul L. Berkman of the bureau and Dr Daniel Lerner and Mrs Lucille Pevsner of the Center for International Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Results are to be published in a book early in 1955.

In addition to these three projects on selected aspects of economic and social development, members of the department are currently engaged in other researches, notably in methodology, occupations and professions, and political sociology.

## THE COLOMBIAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIOLOGY

Calle 74 No. 1189 Bogotá

The Colombian Institute of Sociology was founded at the end of 1950 by Professor Rafael Bernal Jiménez under the auspices of the Ministry of National Education following the agreement reached by Latin American delegates at the International Congress of Sociology which met at Zurich during the same year. The study centres should be set up in the same manner.

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## THE INSTITUTE FOR THE COMPARISON AND RAPPROCHEMENT OF THE VARIOUS BODIES OF EUROPEAN LAW

Faculty of Law and Economic Sciences Saar University Saarbrücken

A university institute for the comparison and rapprochement of the various bodies of European Law has been set up in connexion with the Saar University Faculty of Law and Economic Sciences

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The institute has regional groups in the United Kingdom and Australia. It is also the British National Section of the International Institute of Administrative Science.

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Durham has developed its research programme and has initiated a series of major research studies carried out by study groups each assisted by a full time research worker. The first two of these studies are on changes in the structure of executive government since 1914 and alternative sources of local revenue. The reports will be published in due course.

A series of books on Government departments is in preparation on the operation. The volumes on *Home Office* and *Foreign Office*.

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Recent publications have included *Introduction to French Local Government* (by Brian Chapman) and *Staff Reorganisation* (by E. Anstey and Isabel Menzies) and symposia on *Financial Control: Its Place in Management*, *Large Scale Organisation* since 1918 and *United Kingdom Administration*.

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## SÃO PAULO SCHOOL OF SOCIOLOGY

In May 1954 the School of Sociology and Politics in São Paulo, Brazil, completed the twenty first year of its existence. Founded in 1933 by a group of scholars, it defined its aim as the renewal of the teaching staffs of the country and the study and social scientific investigation of the country's social and political development.

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To this end, every year the school decided to establish itself in its own quarters. The new building is situated at 522 General Jardim Street, São Paulo. It affords excellent conditions for carrying on the work.

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*International Trade* by Hans Neisser and Franco Modigliani

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The institute is interested in problems attending on the analysis of national character and attitudes—including racial studies of specific communities especially in connection with the problem of foreign born population and studies on the social attitudes and new groups forward under both the

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In collaboration with the Graduate Faculty of the New School the institute has established special workshops for training in the methods and problems of research in both theoretical and practical level. One such workshop is concentrated on economic research another on the fast developing field of sociological investigation and analysis

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*Review of International Statistics* 26 February 1954, 38 p E/CN.3/170

[S.] A general review of the development of statistics throughout the world (E/CN.3/148) was presented to the seventh session of the Commission. The above paper gives an account of progress since that date and dwells more particularly on work relating to the preparation and application of statistical standards for the improvement of international comparability.

*Indices of Quantity and Unit Value for External Trade* 4 February 1954, 6 p E/CN.3/171  
[Sc. Pr.] Improvement of the international comparability of indexes of quantity and unit value. General review of the problem and the Commission's recommendations.

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*Social Statistics* 9 February 1954, 14 p E/CN.3/178

[Sc.] In response to a request by the Economic and Social Council, the Secretary-General made a study of conditions conducive to the development of the various branches of social statistics: social stratification, distribution of income and wealth, permeability of social classes, conditions of work and employment, special aspects of the rural welfare, social security, family living standards and protection of the family, health problems, nutrition, housing, protection of children, assistance to the aged and physically handicapped persons, social expenditure.

to *Economic Statistics* 7 p (plus corrigendum and

*Annulated List of International Standards for Statistics* 16 February 1954, 31 p E/CN.3/181

[Sc. P.] An annotated list of the concepts, definitions, methods and principles of statistical classification as set forth in international conventions together with the final rules and recommendations adopted by the competent bodies of international organizations.

*Progress Report: Balance of Payments Statistics* 4 March 1954, 9 p E/CN.3/182

[Sc.] Work on this subject carried out by the International Monetary Fund in 1953. The annex contains brief description of the fifth volume of the balance of payments yearbook. The form in which the Fund balance of payments statistics are presented was radically altered in 1953.

*Population Census Activities* 9 February 1954, 1 p E/CN.3/185

[Sc. Pr.] Summary of the United Nations work in connection with censuses (methodological studies, preparation of standards, training of specialists and practical demonstration of expert advice, assembly and publication of the results of recent censuses) and the Commission's recommendations concerning the possible international extension of this work.

Map of censuses taken in different countries between 1945 and 1953 and main headings used in census tables.

*Progress Report on Vital Statistics Activities* 4 February 1954, 6 p E/CN.3/186

[Sc. Org.] Brief survey of the Commission's work for the establishment of an international vital statistics system. Recommendations for the improvement and co-ordination of these statistics.



## II REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS PERIODICALS AND BOOKS

### DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

#### UNITED NATIONS

##### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

###### LEGAL QUESTIONS

*Request of the General Assembly for the Codification of the Principles of International Law concerning State Responsibility* Memorandum submitted by Mr. F. V. García Amador, member of the International Law Commission

[Sc.] The General Assembly

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*Nationality including Statelessness Third Report*

by Roberto Cordova Special Rapporteur

[Sc.] State of the problem and comments

###### REFUGEES

*The Situation of the United Nations Refugee Emergency Fund* A/AC.36/31 29 January 1954

15 p. A/AC.36/31/Add.1 26 February 1954

[Pr. Org. E] Dp. St.] At its 10th session

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##### ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

###### STATISTICAL QUESTIONS

*Documents and Work of the Eighth Session of the Statistical Commission*

The following are the main papers prepared for this meeting

For explanation of abbreviations, see p. 53

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*Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices* 15 February 1954 6 p E/CN.3/175  
[Sc. Pr.] Progress of comparability in the calculation of index numbers of wholesale prices as between different countries with a view to facilitating economic analysis. Brief discussion of the problem and recommendations.

*Social Statistics* 9 February 1954, 14 p E/CN.3/178  
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# INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE BULLETIN

*Housing Statistics* 9 February 1954 17 p (plus addendum) E/CN 3/187 E/CN 3/187/ Add 1

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## Standards of Living

*Report on International Definition and Measurement of Standards and Levels of Living* March 1954 95 p printed \$ 1.80 E/CN 3/179 1954 IV 5

[Sc St.] Report of a committee of experts convened in June 1953 by the Secretary General of the United Nations jointly with the ILO and Unesco. These experts considered the methods best suited to the definition and measurement of standards of living and the variations in the different countries with a view to international comparison. The report is a general review of the problems now confronting the measurement of standards of living in the various countries.

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## AGRICULTURE LAND TENURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT ETC.

*European Agriculture A Statement of Problems* 1954 83 p printed \$ .80 E/TCE/175

[Sc. E.] [St Dp] Paper prepared by the Economic Commission for Europe and the FAO on the problem of modifying the policy followed by European countries in connexion with agricultural production and trade in agricultural products with a view to improving the general economic situation of Europe and the living conditions of the peasantry. Main factors influencing European productivity and agricultural food consumption agricultural policy and trade in agricultural products in Western and Eastern Europe

*Rural Progress through Co-operatives The Place of Co-operative Associations in Agricultural Development* 1954 112 p printed \$ .75 E/2524

[Pr Sc E.] [Dp Org] Paper prepared by the United Nations in co-operation with the ILO and the FAO on the possibilities of co-operation in the agricultural sector.

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[Sc. E. J. Dp St.] In 1952 under th ausp es of th FAO and th Technical Assista ce  
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*P bilities for the Development f the Paper and P lp Industry Lat Americ* 1954, 142 p  
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*Comptition between Steel and Alumin um.* 12 F bruary 1954, 155 p \$1 25 E/ECE/Steel/81  
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*Methods of National Income Statistics in ECAFE Countries* 21 January 1954 4 p E/CN 11/STAT/Conf 3/4

[Sc Dp ] Prepared for the Third Regional Conference of Statisticians (21-23 March 1954) List of national income tables since about the year 1930 in various countries analysis of the structure of these calculations

### *Standards of Living*

*Report on International Definition and Measurement of Standards and Levels of Living* March 1954 95 p printed \$ 1.80 E/CN 3/179 1954 IV 5

[Sc, St.] Report of a committee of experts convened in June 1953 by the Secretary General of the United Nations jointly with the ILO and Unesco These experts considered the methods best suited to the definition and measurement of standards of living and their variations in the different countries with a view to international comparison Their report is a general review of the measurement of standards of living for bringing into international comparison

### AGRICULTURE LAND TENURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT ETC

*European Agriculture A Statement of Problems* 1954 83 p printed \$ .80 E/ECE/173

[Sc, Ej, St, Dp] Paper prepared by the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) for the FAO on the problem of modernization of agriculture

... the living conditions of the population influencing European productivity and agriculture food consumption agricultural policy and trade in agricultural products in Western and Eastern Europe

*Rural Progress through Co-operation The Place of Co-operation Associations in Agricultural Development* 1954 112 p printed \$ .75 E/2524

[Pr, Sc, Ej, Dp, Org] Paper prepared by the United Nations, the ILO and the FAO

main problems dealt with are the means and methods of co-operative associations factors making their access their action in connexion with the distribution of land technical progress financing purchases and sales health education and vocational training grouped firms, collective and communal firms work done by the ILO and the FAO of rural co-operation

*Progress in Land Reform.* Analysis of replies by governments to a UN questionnaire 1943 22 p printed \$2.50 E/25.6  
[Sc. Pr. Ej. Dp. St.] The present structure of land ownership is an obstacle to the economic and social development of many countries.

A programme for the encouragement of reform has been set on foot by the United Nations. In 1951 the Organization decided to survey at least every three years the countries taken by the different countries in connexion with this programme and more generally with all matters affecting the reorganization of land distribution. The volume under review is the first report drawn up in implementation of this decision. Over 60 countries determined with a total of about 1,300 million inhabitants replied to special questionnaire circulated in November 1952.

The report drawn up on the basis of these replies by the United Nations in co-operation with the ILO and the FAO gives a very full survey of the problem general trends in the various countries policy in this matter (new countries United States of America, Australia, New Zealand, Europe, Asia, the Far East, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America) legal economic and technical solutions to the various practical problems arising out of the application of these policies prospects and recommendations statistics

*Rural Electrification Additional Information.* 24 December 1953 29 p E/ECE/EP/136  
[Sc. Ej. Dp. St.] In 1952 under the auspices of the FAO and the Technical Assistance Administration of the Economic Commission for Europe experts prepared a report in two parts on rural electrification (E/ECE/64, vols. 1 and 2). A working party was then set up by the Economic Commission for Europe to put the study of this problem on a permanent basis. At the first meeting of this working party (25-28 November 1953) some countries (Rumania, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Poland) which had not previously applied a programme of rural electrification gave particular attention to the subject in the document under review.

# COMMON RESOURCES INDUSTRY TRADE

*Policies for the Development of the Paper and Pulp Industry Latin America* 1954, 142 p printed \$1.50 E/CN.2/294/Rev.2-903 II G2  
[Sc. St. Dp. Ej.] Preliminary study of the pulp and paper requirements that will probably have to be met by Latin America in future and analysis of this industry present difficulties and possibilities. General aspects of the problem for the region as a whole. Monographs for individual countries (Argentina, Brazil, Central America, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Surinam, British Guiana, Venezuela).

*Study of the Prospects for Inter-Latin American Trade (Southern Zone of the Region)* 1954 34 p printed \$0.50 E/CN.2/304/Rev.2  
[Ej. St. Dp. Ej.] Study of the development of trade between the southern zone of Latin America (80 per cent of the total trade between the Latin American countries) Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay. Its prospects and conclusions.

*Competition between Steel and Aluminium.* 12 February 1954, 55 p \$1.25 E/ECE/Steel/81  
[Sc. Ej. Dp. St.] First monograph issued in a new series of reports on the metals and other materials competing with steel. The report sets out to define the zone of competition between steel and aluminium and discusses how far aluminium is already

*Housing Statistics* 9 February 1954 17 p (plus addendum) E/CN 3/187 E/CN 3/187/ Add 1

[Sc Pr St] Present international position of housing statistics Commission's recommendations for the improvement of these statistics prospects Numerous tables

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[Sc Ej St Dp] Paper prepared for the Commission of the European Communities by the FAO on the problem of modernization of agriculture

The Commission of the European Communities is concerned with the consumption agricultural policy and trade in agricultural products in Western and Eastern Europe

*Rural Progress through Co-operatives The Place of Co-operative Associations in Agricultural Development* 1954 112 p printed \$ .75 E/2524

[Pr Sc Ej Dp Org] Paper prepared by the United Nations in co-operation with the ILO and the FAO on the possibilities offered by co-operatives for rural development

pamphlets and articles on the question E/CN.6/245 3 February 1954 7 p) *Economic Opportunities for Women Older Women Worker* (discussion of available data in the different countries of the number and status of women workers of 40 years and over) E/CN.6/2 19 February 1954 58 p) *Acc...*  
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*Freedom of Information*. Supplementary report submitted by Mr Salvador P. Lopez Rapporteur on Freedom of Information. E/2426/Add.1 1 February 1954 26 p  
 E/2426/Add.2 1 February 1954 2 p  
 [Sc. E. J. Dp] 1953 Mr Lopez an expert whom the Economic and Social Council appointed an individual capacity to carry out a general survey of the problem of freedom of information in the world today published lengthy report containing a historical background of the question analysis of the present situation and recommendations (E/2426) Documents E/2426/Add.1 and Add.2 in paragraph 1 of the eighth session of the General Assembly concerning freedom of information, a data supplied by various world press organizations (in particular the results of the Associated Press world inquiry) and other restrictions on freedom of information)

*Freedom of Information*. Report of the Rapporteur on Freedom of Information Commission. United Nations dated 19 January 1954 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Nations to the Secretary-General 1 February 1954 4 p  
 [Sc. E. J.] The Government of the United Nations of South Africa contests seriously the report by Mr Salvador P. Lopez in his report E/2426

*Study of Discrimination*. *Educational Interim Report of the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities* 4 December 1953 56 p  
 [Sc. Org. Dp] According to the work carried out in this connexion by the United Nations through the International Labour Office and the U. N. E. C. O. Legal provisions adopted by governments against discrimination in education Bibliography

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

*Technical Assistance Activities in Economic Development and Public Administration* the ECAFE Region 9 December 1953 23 p E/CN.11/379  
 [Org. Pr. Dp. St.] A country study main forms of assistance which the Technical Assistance Administration applied in 1953 a detailed plan for supply in 1954 in co-ordination with the national programmes of economic development and public services (planning of economic development development of natural resources industrial development housing and town planning trade public administration statistics transport and communications regional projects) Fellowships and scholarships with statistical tables



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*Private Capital*

*The International Flow of Private Capital 1946-1952* 18 January 1954 61 p printed. E/2531

[Sc. St Dp Ej] Statistical data available for the period from the end of the second world war to 1952 analysis of trends study of factors limiting the flow of private capital, prospects and conclusions

*Economic Development of Underdeveloped Countries International Flow of Private Capital for the Economic Development of Underdeveloped Countries* 19 February 1954 79 p E/2456

[Sc Pr Dp Ej St Org] This report drawn up at the same time as the pamphlet *The International Flow of Private Capital 1946-1952* (see above) describes the national and international measures taken to encourage the flow of private capital for economic development References to relevant research and studies Bibliography

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

*Implementation of ECAFE Recommendations* 5 January 1954 66 p E/100

[Org Sc Dp Ej] In 1951 the commission acted on taken by governments in recommendations The above report is a study of compliance with this decision Survey of the commission's activities not giving rise to specific action on the part of governments review of programmes necessitating special action by governments and account of the methods of such co-operation applicable to each country

*Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East Official Records Tenth Session 8-18 February 1954* 25 March 1954 250 p

[Org Sc] Work of the session discussion of the documents submitted

FORCED AND CORRECTIVE LABOUR SLAVERY

*Forced Labour Reports of the Ad Hoc Committee on Forced Labour Observations and communications of governments* A series of papers E/2431/Addenda

[Ej] The Economic and Social Council and the ILO set up an ad hoc committee of three independent experts to study the problem of forced and corrective labour in the world at its report (E/2431 1953) Various states submitted comments on the report to the United Nations Czechoslovakia Poland Venezuela etc

*Slavery* A series of documents 26 February 1954 93 p E/2458 and several addenda [Sc. Org Dp] On the basis of an annual report (E/2357 27 April 1953) the General Assembly adopted a resolution concerning the reform of the 1926 International Convention on Slavery The above report describes the action taken on this decision and quotes the comments and new information received from various states and the ILO

STATUS OF WOMEN

[Sc. Dp Ej St Org] Various papers were published in connection with the eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (E/2459 27 April 1954) included on 9 April 1954 in the 2nd of Periodicals Issued February 1954 12 p) approximately 100 books

SECRETARIAT

STATISTICAL QUESTIONS

*Bibliography of Recent Official Demographic English Facts*  
 [Sc. Pr.] Separate print of  
 graphic book of 1953  
 (population tables incl)  
 period of other demogr-  
 all countries and territories in the world. The titles of works in all languages other than  
 English French are accompanied by an English translation.

*Development of Statistics in Burma*  
 by Dr. T. M. ...

1. user personally dealt with the general development of statistics in Burma in 1955 working on the basis of his personal observations and in co-operation with Burmese experts. He thinks that with the help of these experts Burma will be able to compete with the most developed countries in the field of statistics. The report describes the progress in this field and proposes further recommendations.

NATIONAL INCOME

*The National Income and National Accounts of the Republic of Panama 1944-1952* by Dr. H. Ryken van Olst. 93 pp. printed ST/TAA/K/P-nama/1  
 [Sc.] Aims and methods of assessing national income and national accounts in general presentation and analysis of data available for Panama. Recommendations for their improvement.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOCIAL WELFARE

*The United Nations Social Welfare Seminar for Arab States in the Middle East 1954* 91 pp. printed \$1  
 [Pr.] The first social welfare seminar organized by the United Nations for the Arab States which was held in 1949 provided an opportunity for a general discussion of problems.  
 The second (1950) was concerned with rural social welfare.  
 The third (the proceedings of which are appended to the document under review) was held in 1952. It dealt with existing welfare services and the planning of the programmes assembly field work of these services and the planning of the programmes research and statistics in the field of social welfare. Lists of recommendations and social welfare programmes financing medical-social services and list of persons attending the seminar recommendations conclusions list of working papers.  
*Social Services in Israel* by Professor T. S. Symey and Miss Dorothy G. Kahn. 9 November 1953 36 pp. ST/TAA/K/I-a/1  
 [Pr.] At the request of the Government of Israel two experts were instructed by the Technical Assistant Administrator to study certain problems in this country connected with the organization of ministries concerned with welfare questions the organization of general social services the development of local welfare centres the employment and training of welfare workers family assistance, clearing and other subjects.

## THE FAO ILO AND UNESCO IN ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

*Activities of FAO of Special Interest to Asia and the Far East* 11 December 1953 15 p  
E/CN/11/380

[Org Ej] Asia is certainly the continent on which the solution of the world food problem mainly depends. General data on the question. The FAO's contribution to the raising of this region's agricultural output: statistical data -- meet ngs various programmes -- (document published by the ILO at its tenth session February 1954)

*Activities of the ILO of Special Interest to Asia and the Far East* 16 December 1953 45 p  
E/CN/11/381

[Org Ej] Supplements the *Seventh Report of the International Labour Organisation to the United Nations* with special emphasis on the work carried out by the ILO in Asia and the Far East in 1953: results of the third Asian Regional Conference and the Asian Maritime Conference, the fifth session of the Asian Advisory Committee and recent developments in the field of technical assistance (document published by the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East for its tenth session February 1954)

*Unesco Activities in 1953 of Interest to the ECAGE* 27 January 1954 23 p E/CN/11/384

[Pr Org] Concise description by type of country of Unesco programmes of interest to Member States in the ECAGE: regional cooperation, extension of school education, economic rehabilitation, exchange of persons, fellowships, scientific research, teaching and dissemination of science, technical assistance, co-operation in the field of social science, assistance for higher education, information, voluntary international assistance, etc.

## LIBYA

*The Economic and Social Development of Libya* by Benjamin Higgins 1953 170 p  
printed \$1.75 ST/TAA/L/Libya/3

[Sc St Ej] Condensed version of the report of a mission to study all the problems -- the point of view of the Libyans -- of action for the years 1953-1955

## TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

## NON SELF GOVERNING TERRITORIES

*Survey of the Situation in the Trust Territories*

[Ej Sc St] A series of documents. The Secretariat is publishing a preliminary series of working papers which are the first drafts of chapters on each of the following trust territories to be included in the Trusteeship Council's next report to the General Assembly: Tanganyika, Ruanda Urundi, Somaliland under Italian administration, the Cameroons under British administration, Togoland under British administration, Western Samoa, Nauru and New Guinea. Each chapter contains a description of the territory, its geography and demography, its progress in various fields (political, economic and educational development).

The documents in this series that have already been received deal with the Cameroons under British administration (T/L.404 and various addenda), the Cameroons under French administration (T/L.406 and Addenda), Togoland under British administration (T/L.407 and Addendum) and Togoland under French administration (T/L.409 and Addendum).

# ORGANIZATION    REVIEWS    ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Pr E] St.] Present lectr ty : apply : tuation in Colomb a and constructive sugges-  
 tions for its impro vme t. The annex touches briefly on other publ c util ties (water  
 telepho    markets) in Col mbia.   

## MEXICO (IRON AND STEEL)

*An Enquiry into the Iron and Steel Industry of Mexico* 11 January 1954, 74 p printed.  
 ST/TAA/K/Mex co/1  
 [Sc. Pr. St. E.] Summary of the findings and recommendations of three experts  
 appointed by the United Nations to analyse, in co-operation with many Mexican  
 experts the progress of the iron and steel industry in Mexico and the problems involved  
 in supplying coal for this industry

## PHILIPPINES (ARTS AND CRAFTS)

*Hand Weaving*

[P]    printed  
 the    a special two-year inquiry Miss Walla e, appointed by  
 the    Assistant Administrator of the Department of the Philippines Government  
 gives a critical account of the part played by the hand weaving industry in this country  
 and puts forward recommendations for its development in co-ordination with general  
 programmes for economic and social development and for improved output of home  
 industries and crafts Map Photographic illustrations.

*The Ceramic Industry in the Philippines* by Mary Kring Rusley 10 January 1954, 22 p,  
 printed, \$ 25 ST/TAA/K/Philippines/4.  
 [Pr E] Summary report to the Foreign Office dealing with pottery the manufacture of  
 bricks etc.

## EL SALVADOR (EVELOPMENT)

*The Economic and Social Development of El Salvador* A series of documents 1954-  
 [E] S St.] Under general title included on 26 February 1951 between the United  
 Nations and the Specialized Agencies represented on the Technical Assistance Commit-  
 tee, on the one hand and the Government of El Salvador on the other hand experts  
 were appointed to prepare reports on a few special aspects of the economic and social  
 development of El Salvador. These reports are a critical account of the problem and  
 with recommendations and commentaries. The following are:-  
*Social Welfare Programme in El Salvador* 18 p  
*Development of Geological Resources in El Salvador* 140 p  
*The Harbour System of El Salvador* 77 p S  
*Telecommunications in El Salvador* 44 p ST/TAA/K/El Salvador/4.  
*Production and Distribution of Electricity in El Salvador* 124 p ST/TAA/K/El Salvador/7  
*The Textile Industry* El Salvador 45 p ST/TAA/K/El Salvador/8  
*Industrial Development of El Salvador* 104 p ST/TAA/K/El Salvador/10  
*Inland Transport* El Salvador 83 p ST/TAA/K/El Salvador/11

and to advise on the best means of improving the situation in these various spheres. The pamphlet under review contains the report of these two experts.

*United Nations Series on Community Organization and Development* | Monograph on community settlements and report of the survey mission on community organization and development Israel 1954 89 p printed \$ 80  
[Fr Sc Ej St.] Part I Survey of the organization of and part played by communities and co-operative farms temporary villages for immigrants etc Part II Report of a mission responsible for studying other types of centres and welfare services in Israel Statistics

Full bibliography containing references to sociological works on stratification social relations cultural integration etc in Israeli communities

*Switzerland (United Nations series on Community Organization and Development Country monographs)* 1954 14 p printed \$ 15 ST/SOA/Ser 0/17

[Pr Ej] Account of the organization and work of the various types of institutions directly or indirectly concerned with the promotion of community development in Switzerland the commune itself as the sovereign school authority welfare services communal property etc parishes workers centres women's and youth clubs social clubs etc Survey of the special programme of assistance for Alpine districts

#### PREVENTION OF CRIME AND TREATMENT OF DELINQUENTS

*Comparative Survey on Juvenile Delinquency Part IV Asia and the Far East* November 1953 123 p printed \$1 ST/SOA/SD/1/Add 3

[Pr Sc Ej St. Dp.] Fourth ... delinquency throughout the ... regard to juvenile delinquer ... (is prevention etc) in the following countries Burma Ceylon India Japan Pakistan Philippines and Thailand Bibliography

*Latin American Seminar on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders* 1954 89 p printed \$ 80 ST/TAA/Ser C/13

[Sc Pr.] The seminar was held at Rio de Janeiro from 6 to 19 April 1953. The report under review gives its programme the list of persons attending (from 17 countries) and recommendations. The main subjects dealt with were the minimum rules for the treatment of prisoners recruitment and training of staff for penitentiaries reformatories system of open ...

#### ECONOMIC SITUATION OF ASIA AND THE FAR EAST

*Economic Survey of Asia and the Far East 1953* Bangkok February 1954 161 p printed \$1 50 1953 IIF 8

[Sc Ej Dp St.] Seventh survey of this kind prepared by the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East. Apart from the analysis of trends common to the region this report contains for the first time a series of monographs on the individual countries (all countries in the region with the exception of continental China which was dealt with in a monograph published separately in the November 1953 issue of the *Economic Bulletin for Asia and the Far East*).

#### COLOMBIA (ELECTRICITY)

*Public Utilities in Colombia* by Cecilia Elia 28 December 1953 65 p printed \$ 60 ST/TAA/L Colomb 2/1

### PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS

Copies of *Accidents to the Crews of Rubber Trucks on Plantations and Farms*  
 for the *Provision 13* 22 p printed €—  
 [Fr. Dp. St. Ej.] Analysis of the *accidents to the crews of rubber trucks*  
 Labour Office in France, Ital. and Switzerland on the *main types of accidents*  
 coupling vehicles and methods of preventing, *these accidents*  
 VOCATIONAL TRAINING

VOCATED ALL TRAINING SEMINARS, EXCHANGES, ETC.

[Sec. Pr. St. Ej.] Account of the ~~work~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~workers~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~dockwork~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~port~~ ~~of~~ ~~Rotterdam~~ ~~by~~ ~~the~~ ~~State~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Netherlands~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~year~~ ~~1914~~ ~~and~~ ~~1915~~ ~~and~~ ~~1916~~ ~~and~~ ~~1917~~ ~~and~~ ~~1918~~ ~~and~~ ~~1919~~ ~~and~~ ~~1920~~ ~~and~~ ~~1921~~ ~~and~~ ~~1922~~ ~~and~~ ~~1923~~ ~~and~~ ~~1924~~ ~~and~~ ~~1925~~ ~~and~~ ~~1926~~ ~~and~~ ~~1927~~ ~~and~~ ~~1928~~ ~~and~~ ~~1929~~ ~~and~~ ~~1930~~ ~~and~~ ~~1931~~ ~~and~~ ~~1932~~ ~~and~~ ~~1933~~ ~~and~~ ~~1934~~ ~~and~~ ~~1935~~ ~~and~~ ~~1936~~ ~~and~~ ~~1937~~ ~~and~~ ~~1938~~ ~~and~~ ~~1939~~ ~~and~~ ~~1940~~ ~~and~~ ~~1941~~ ~~and~~ ~~1942~~ ~~and~~ ~~1943~~ ~~and~~ ~~1944~~ ~~and~~ ~~1945~~ ~~and~~ ~~1946~~ ~~and~~ ~~1947~~ ~~and~~ ~~1948~~ ~~and~~ ~~1949~~ ~~and~~ ~~1950~~ ~~and~~ ~~1951~~ ~~and~~ ~~1952~~ ~~and~~ ~~1953~~ ~~and~~ ~~1954~~ ~~and~~ ~~1955~~ ~~and~~ ~~1956~~ ~~and~~ ~~1957~~ ~~and~~ ~~1958~~ ~~and~~ ~~1959~~ ~~and~~ ~~1960~~ ~~and~~ ~~1961~~ ~~and~~ ~~1962~~ ~~and~~ ~~1963~~ ~~and~~ ~~1964~~ ~~and~~ ~~1965~~ ~~and~~ ~~1966~~ ~~and~~ ~~1967~~ ~~and~~ ~~1968~~ ~~and~~ ~~1969~~ ~~and~~ ~~1970~~ ~~and~~ ~~1971~~ ~~and~~ ~~1972~~ ~~and~~ ~~1973~~ ~~and~~ ~~1974~~ ~~and~~ ~~1975~~ ~~and~~ ~~1976~~ ~~and~~ ~~1977~~ ~~and~~ ~~1978~~ ~~and~~ ~~1979~~ ~~and~~ ~~1980~~ ~~and~~ ~~1981~~ ~~and~~ ~~1982~~ ~~and~~ ~~1983~~ ~~and~~ ~~1984~~ ~~and~~ ~~1985~~ ~~and~~ ~~1986~~ ~~and~~ ~~1987~~ ~~and~~ ~~1988~~ ~~and~~ ~~1989~~ ~~and~~ ~~1990~~ ~~and~~ ~~1991~~ ~~and~~ ~~1992~~ ~~and~~ ~~1993~~ ~~and~~ ~~1994~~ ~~and~~ ~~1995~~ ~~and~~ ~~1996~~ ~~and~~ ~~1997~~ ~~and~~ ~~1998~~ ~~and~~ ~~1999~~ ~~and~~ ~~2000~~ ~~and~~ ~~2001~~ ~~and~~ ~~2002~~ ~~and~~ ~~2003~~ ~~and~~ ~~2004~~ ~~and~~ ~~2005~~ ~~and~~ ~~2006~~ ~~and~~ ~~2007~~ ~~and~~ ~~2008~~ ~~and~~ ~~2009~~ ~~and~~ ~~2010~~ ~~and~~ ~~2011~~ ~~and~~ ~~2012~~ ~~and~~ ~~2013~~ ~~and~~ ~~2014~~ ~~and~~ ~~2015~~ ~~and~~ ~~2016~~ ~~and~~ ~~2017~~ ~~and~~ ~~2018~~ ~~and~~ ~~2019~~ ~~and~~ ~~2020~~ ~~and~~ ~~2021~~ ~~and~~ ~~2022~~ ~~and~~ ~~2023~~ ~~and~~ ~~2024~~ ~~and~~ ~~2025~~ ~~and~~ ~~2026~~ ~~and~~ ~~2027~~ ~~and~~ ~~2028~~ ~~and~~ ~~2029~~ ~~and~~ ~~2030~~ ~~and~~ ~~2031~~ ~~and~~ ~~2032~~ ~~and~~ ~~2033~~ ~~and~~ ~~2034~~ ~~and~~ ~~2035~~ ~~and~~ ~~2036~~ ~~and~~ ~~2037~~ ~~and~~ ~~2038~~ ~~and~~ ~~2039~~ ~~and~~ ~~2040~~ ~~and~~ ~~2041~~ ~~and~~ ~~2042~~ ~~and~~ ~~2043~~ ~~and~~ ~~2044~~ ~~and~~ ~~2045~~ ~~and~~ ~~2046~~ ~~and~~ ~~2047~~ ~~and~~ ~~2048~~ ~~and~~ ~~2049~~ ~~and~~ ~~2050~~ ~~and~~ ~~2051~~ ~~and~~ ~~2052~~ ~~and~~ ~~2053~~ ~~and~~ ~~2054~~ ~~and~~ ~~2055~~ ~~and~~ ~~2056~~ ~~and~~ ~~2057~~ ~~and~~ ~~2058~~ ~~and~~ ~~2059~~ ~~and~~ ~~2060~~ ~~and~~ ~~2061~~ ~~and~~ ~~2062~~ ~~and~~ ~~2063~~ ~~and~~ ~~2064~~ ~~and~~ ~~2065~~ ~~and~~ ~~2066~~ ~~and~~ ~~2067~~ ~~and~~ ~~2068~~ ~~and~~ ~~2069~~ ~~and~~ ~~2070~~ ~~and~~ ~~2071~~ ~~and~~ ~~2072~~ ~~and~~ ~~2073~~ ~~and~~ ~~2074~~ ~~and~~ ~~2075~~ ~~and~~ ~~2076~~ ~~and~~ ~~2077~~ ~~and~~ ~~2078~~ ~~and~~ ~~2079~~ ~~and~~ ~~2080~~ ~~and~~ ~~2081~~ ~~and~~ ~~2082~~ ~~and~~ ~~2083~~ ~~and~~ ~~2084~~ ~~and~~ ~~2085~~ ~~and~~ ~~2086~~ ~~and~~ ~~2087~~ ~~and~~ ~~2088~~ ~~and~~ ~~2089~~ ~~and~~ ~~2090~~ ~~and~~ ~~2091~~ ~~and~~ ~~2092~~ ~~and~~ ~~2093~~ ~~and~~ ~~2094~~ ~~and~~ ~~2095~~ ~~and~~ ~~2096~~ ~~and~~ ~~2097~~ ~~and~~ ~~2098~~ ~~and~~ ~~2099~~ ~~and~~ ~~2100~~ ~~and~~ ~~2101~~ ~~and~~ ~~2102~~ ~~and~~ ~~2103~~ ~~and~~ ~~2104~~ ~~and~~ ~~2105~~ ~~and~~ ~~2106~~ ~~and~~ ~~2107~~ ~~and~~ ~~2108~~ ~~and~~ ~~2109~~ ~~and~~ ~~2110~~ ~~and~~ ~~2111~~ ~~and~~ ~~2112~~ ~~and~~ ~~2113~~ ~~and~~ ~~2114~~ ~~and~~ ~~2115~~ ~~and~~ ~~2116~~ ~~and~~ ~~2117~~ ~~and~~ ~~2118~~ ~~and~~ ~~2119~~ ~~and~~ ~~2120~~ ~~and~~ ~~2121~~ ~~and~~ ~~2122~~ ~~and~~ ~~2123~~ ~~and~~ ~~2124~~ ~~and~~ ~~2125~~ ~~and~~ ~~2126~~ ~~and~~ ~~2127~~ ~~and~~ ~~2128~~ ~~and~~ ~~2129~~ ~~and~~ ~~2130~~ ~~and~~ ~~2131~~ ~~and~~ ~~2132~~ ~~and~~ ~~2133~~ ~~and~~ ~~2134~~ ~~and~~ ~~2135~~ ~~and~~ ~~2136~~ ~~and~~ ~~2137~~ ~~and~~ ~~2138~~ ~~and~~ ~~2139~~ ~~and~~ ~~2140~~ ~~and~~ ~~2141~~ ~~and~~ ~~2142~~ ~~and~~ ~~2143~~ ~~and~~ ~~2144~~ ~~and~~ ~~2~~

The Recruitment and Training of "Special" Agents  
[Sc Pr] Corps and importance of  
with curriculum, training, etc.

The International Education of Student Exchanges  
[St. Sc.] The League of Nations  
into the

The International Bureau of Statistics (St. Sc.) The Bureau has been working into the programme of the United Nations training and research programme on the enquiry summed up in the book "The years in the number of persons that have taken broad. Extensive statistics

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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Technical Assistance 1954, 100 p printed, \$ 7.50  
[Sec Dep Ej Org] Critical study of the ILO technical assistance program  
with ILO practical studies through the application of the L. C. V. for the  
Assistance program purposes of the program fields of work  
organization and administration of the planning assessment of results  
projects  
A large number of illustrations graphs and a map  
EMPLOYEES

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Salaried Employ  
 Swedish Central Organization of Salaried Employees  
 [S E] Board outline of the empl yee class in the world today (C  
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 LABOR IN AVIATION  
 Conditions of Employment  
 Modern Sociology by Fritz Koenig Head of the Statist Office of the  
 f Salaried Employees  
 their theory of class  
 gth of the proletariat  
 sociologist pointing out the

SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION<sup>1</sup>

GENERAL SOCIAL CONDITIONS

*Report of the Director General Workers Housing Economic and Social Survey Activities of the ILO International Labour Conference Thirty seventh session 1954* 144 p printed \$1

[Sc Org Ej St] It is the established practice for the report presented by the Director General of the ILO to the annual session of the Labour Conference to retrace the general pattern of social evolution over the past year and to draw attention to the salient features of the social policy applied throughout the world during this period. This year's report deals more particularly on the ... in all continents and the factors that could ... practical social progress. Such progress in international relations

Furthermore the report sums up the ...

work and discusses the housing problem as one of the pre- for a balanced economy in

LABOUR LEGISLATION

*Summary of Reports on Unratified Conventions and on Recommendations (Article 19 of the Constitution)* 1954 72 p printed \$1

[Sc Org] Under Article 19 of the ILO's Constitution Member States are obliged to report to the Director General of the International Labour Office on the position of their law and practice in regard to the matters dealt with in the ... unratified conventions and ...

The reports summarize recommendation concerning and a recommendation

*Minimum wages in Latin America 1954* 10 ...

[Sc Ej Dp St] Comparison of 19 countries of Latin America present position of legisla

HOLIDAYS WITH PAY

*Holidays with pay 1954* 51 p printed \$ 40

[Sc Org] Analysis of the replies of governments to a draft recommendation concerning holidays with pay text of draft recommendation designed to serve as a basis for the second discussion of this question at the thirty-seventh session of the International Labour Conference

*Utilization of holidays with pay 1954* 72 p printed \$ 50

[Pr Ej Dp] Survey of various countries present arrangements for workers' leisure analysis of the act on taken by the ILO and various governments to enable workers to derive full benefit from their holidays methods of organizing and financing such measures and possible improvements in this field

<sup>1</sup> As general rule ILO publications are issued in English, French and Spanish.

# ORGANIZATION REVIEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS

*Caus s f Accident the Coupling f Railway 1 hule and Related Operations and Mass*  
for the Prevention 1933 22 p printed \$ 25  
[Pr Dp St. Ej] Anal is f the results f an enquiry cond cted by the Internat al  
Labo r Offi in F Italy d Sw tzerland on th ma n causes of cc dents in the  
coupling of vehicles and m thods of preventing ch cc de ts

## VOCATIONAL TRAINING SEMINARS EXCHANGES ETC.

*Voc tional T in f Dockworker n the Port f Rotterdam. 1934 11 p printed \$ 10*  
[Sc P St. Ej] A unt f the pul t p ogramm for th vocational tra ng of dock  
w kers t R tterdam by th So th R tterdam Marit me Federat on with th f nanc l  
pport of th g ernment and mun cipal ty A ms a d tract e of the p ogramme  
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ha dbooks cculs obta ned train g school f dockwo kers The c nclus n is th t the  
R tterdam experim t has sh wn that the vocat onal tra ning f dockworkers is a  
pract cal poss bil ty Th implementati n of th syst m of vocat onal tra ning goes t  
how that dockw k is genuin trad

*The Recruitment and Tanning f Techn l and Voc tional T ach s Staff Technical docu*  
ments 953 56 p  
[Sc P] Sc pe d importa of the p oblem. Review f p oblems arising in connex on  
with recr tment training p om tion and remuneration. B bli ography on the subject

*The I ternational Ex hang f Student Empl y 1954. 18 p printed, \$ 10*  
[St. Sc.] Th I t nat nal Labour Offi has lready nd cted several enques  
in: th pportunities f ded in the d fferent c tries f foregners to take pract cal  
training d ocat n l ef echer courses n their territory Th cculs f th 1953  
enquiry mmed p in th bookl t under eview how a great increase o er p evi us  
years in the umber f pers ns that have been ble to take such p actual training  
courses abroad. Extens tatistics

## TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

*T chnical Assistance 954 100 p printed \$ 75*  
[Sc Dp Ej Org] Critical tudy f th ILO technical assistance programme extens on  
f th ILO practical ct ties thr ough the ppl cation f th United N tions Techn cal  
Ass tan p gram purpose of th p ogram f lds f w k p bl ms of  
ganizati d demonstration planning assessment f cculs a d f llow-up work  
n p jects  
A larg numb f illustrations graphs a d map

## EMPLOYEES

*Salaried Empl y es f dern Society by Fritz Cr ner Head of th Statistics Office of the*  
Swedish Ce tral Organizati of Salaried Employees 19 4 14 p printed \$ 15  
[S Ej St.] B d thn of th uth theory erning the dev lopment a d r le  
of th employee class in th w ld today (Cr er is ociologist specializing in the  
tudy f this lass)

## LABOUR IN AVIATION

*Condit ions f Employment in International Civil Aviation by Captaj S henkman. 1934*  
6 p p unted \$ 5  
[Sc Ej] Org nuz ti n f labour dit ions f employment, emunerati n, h lidas



## INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE BULLETIN

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international

### INTERNATIONAL CO-ORDINATION OF EMPLOYMENT MARKETS IN THE NORTHERN COUNTRIES

*The Common Employment Market for the Northern Countries* by Bertil Olsson 1954 11 p printed \$ 15

[Sc. Ej. Pr.] Machinery for establishing a common employment market for Denmark Finland Iceland Norway and Sweden its operation the part played by the central authorities employers and workers organizations and local labour services.

### BUILDING AND THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM IN ITALY

*Workers Housing and the Unemployment Problem in Italy* First results of the Fanfani Plan 1954 15 p \$ 15

[Ej. St.] Outline of the plan adopted by the Italian Government in February 1949 organic structure implementation (technical aspects general distribution of work allocation of housing social aspects) results obtained lessons learnt from experience. Statistics

## UNITED NATIONS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (FAO)

### WORK OF FAO

*The Work of FAO 1952-53 Growing Food for a Growing World* 1954, 38 p printed \$ 50

[Org. Ej. St.] The work of FAO as related to the growth of population soil development and improvement rationalization of crops and stock farming equipment trade in products of the soil diet and health fisheries timber problem land reform.

*Report of the Seventh Session of the Conference* 23 November 11 December 1953 March 1954 256 p \$2 Trilingual English French and Spanish.

[Sc. Org.] The FAO holds biennial conferences The seventh was held in November December 1953 The document under review contains the resolutions adopted by the conference on such subjects as the world situation and trends as regards food and agriculture the organization's work and programme and the 1954-55 budget. Analytical index.

*Budget for 1954 as approved by the Seventh Session of the Conference* 1954 43 p printed [Org. St.] Detailed analysis

### WORLD SITUATION

*The State of Food and Agriculture—1953 Part II Longer Term Prospects* January 1954 83 p printed \$1

[Sc. Ej. Dp. St.] Survey of probable developments in the field of food and agriculture over the next few years if the present programmes of the governments are carried into effect and due regard is had to demographic trends production and consumption for the whole world by region and product commercial repercussions factors and prerequisites for the attainment of the results forecast (soil development and utilization of water mechanization selection development of fisheries)

### STATISTICS

*Yearbook of Food and Agricultural Statistics Trade—1953 Vol VII Part II* 313 p printed \$3.50 Trilingual English French and Spanish.

[Sc. St.] Data available as at 31 December 1953 For the first time the yearbook

pples figures t ll w f mparis ns uth th period 1934 38 This vol me (Part II  
f th ) book) deals w th trade. P rt I is cerned with prod ct n

# RATI VAL DIET

*Food Comp nths T ble—Mineral and l tams F internat nal us March 1954*  
117 p pri ted \$1  
[Sc.] T bles g g th A C a d B vitamin content th riboflavi and n c c  
c tent, and th cal um d iron content of few stapl foods Thes data a  
importa t f mp oving th di t f commun t es Very full b bli ography (56 p)

## WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO)

### MONO RAPHS

*Plague* by R. P lutzer 698 p p rinted (M ograph N 22) \$9  
[Sc Pr Ej Dp St.] Sta da d refer nce wo k on th wh le p oblem treated f m the  
historical and medical point f ew It is wr iten in the light of th most recent scientif c  
disc er es and takes the pl ce of the bas c wo k p blished in 1936 by Wu Lien teh  
Chun, P lutzer a d Wu.

*T onematos World P blem*, by T Guth nd R. R Will ox 1954 80 p pri ted  
[Sc. Pr Ej Dp St.] Syphilis yaws nd p ta a diseases ran g pecially serious  
ocial p blems and f rming a gro p p rt—that of th treponematoses—by eason  
of th ir haracte and because they e menabl t penicill n t eatment N tur and  
pe f th pr blem f trepo ematoses new ther peuti m thods ork f governments  
d ternat nal agencies mass ampaigus sample surveys t o t ol esults eco omu  
and oc l aspects

### LE ISATION

*Lepr y* 954 31 p p rinted  
[Sc Ej Dp] Survey f th dev l pment a d p esent tat of leprosy health legul tion  
Special p bl ms l ed us l t f lepers vocations open to them marriage  
d immigrati n f lepers measures fo th p otection f thei f milies et (p tecti n  
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## RACIAL RELATIONS

*Jewish Thought as a Factor in Civilization*, by Léon Roth 1954 64 p printed \$ .40  
[Sc. Ej] Unesco has undertaken the publication of a series of reports designed to indicate the attitude of the great religions and philosophical systems towards the diversity of human types

This subject was already referred to in connexion with the Reverend Father Congar's booklet *The Catholic Church and the Race Question*<sup>1</sup> which inaugurated the collection.

Professor Léon Roth approaches the subject from a special angle and briefly describes the specific contribution of Judaism to world civilization. He thus stresses all factors in Judaism which are the very negation of racial exclusivism and records the extent of the debt humanity owes to Judaism. Bibliography

*The Ecumenical Movement and the Racial Problem* by W. A. Vusser t Hooft 1954 70 p printed \$ .40 2s

[Sc. Ej] Booklet in the same series. The Ecumenical Movement today unites over 160 Protestant, Anglican and Orthodox Churches. The author sets forth the basic views of these Churches on the racial question. Bibliography

*Race Mixture* by Harry L. Shapiro 1954 56 p printed \$ .50 1s 6d<sup>2</sup>

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*Racial Equality and the Law* by Morroe Beale 1954 76 p printed \$ .50 3s

[Sc. Ej.] Study of the laws introduced in the United States of America with a view to reducing racial discrimination (with special reference to employment) and of the effectiveness of these laws. The author dwells on group relations in the United States of America: employment discrimination and its decline; the legal aspect of the problem and the role of the federal, state and municipal governments and private organizations. In his final remarks the author stresses the importance of the law as a means of guiding and speeding up the evolution of mental habits and everyday behaviour.

## EDUCATION

*The Education of Teachers in England, France and the U.S.A.* by C. A. Richardson, Hélène Brulé and Harold E. Snyder 1953 341 p printed \$2.15 6d

[Sc. Dp. Ej.] Volume consisting of three monographs on three democracies which introduced universal schooling last century (England, France and the United States of America). The following subjects are dealt with: the origin, development and organization of primary teacher training; curricula, finance and staff recruitment and professional and social status of teachers, etc.

General introduction by Karl W. B. Gelow. Bibliographies

Also published in Spanish, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Swedish, and Turkish. Serial by the Reverend Father Yves M. J. Congar, O.P.

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## A Few Publications issued

[Sc. P. Ej.] Of the publications on education recently issued by Unesco mention should be made of  
*A Handbook of Suggestions for the Teaching of Geography* (third revised edition) by N. V. Scarf  
*Suggestions on the Teaching of History* by C. P. Hill (second edition) (both in the series *Words We Live Under*)  
*Compulsory Education in New Zealand* (second edition) (in the series *Studies on Compulsory Education*)

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDAMENTAL EDUCATION

*Social Welfare Work Journal* by Roger Macfarlane 1931-1966 printed \$1.25 75c 6d  
 [P. S. Ej. St.] Report addressed to persons concerned with the promotion of welfare work through fundamental education. It describes the activities of the Jamaica Social Welfare Commission from 1937 to the present day and deals with its historical and sociological background and organization and programmes (community development mass education co-operation) and results Bibliography

## A PSYCHO-SOCIOLOGICAL INQUIRY IN JAPAN

*What is the Chrysanthemum and the Sword? A Study of the Attitudes of the Japanese* by Jean Stoetzel 1954, 340 p. printed \$2.50 125c 6d  
 [Sc. P. Ej. St.] Follows the example of Ruth Benedict's *The Chrysanthemum and the Sword* (1946) but criticizes her method in certain points. Stoetzel decided in his title the chrysanthemum—the emblem of the imperial family—a symbol of the traditional social structure of the Samurai class. Two of the symbols of a client Japanese culture against which Japan has been directed since 1945. The title of the book is the problem studied by two experts in Japanese questions. At Unesco suggest in they cited inquiry in 1951-52 using the most up-to-date methods.  
 After describing the characteristics of Japanese society (history and present trends) Stoetzel discusses the place of youth in this society. He then gives a detailed analysis of the attitudes of young people, on the basis of a large body of documentary material (the results of Japanese psychological essays and of special investigations carried out by Stoetzel and others). This has been done through surveys and depth tests. The main subjects dealt with are the attitude of Japanese youth towards their country, pacifism and militaristic international affairs, attitudes towards Japanese institutions (economic and social development, mental system, democracy and authority, the emperor, the family status, etc.).  
 Detailed analysis of the dominant traits in the personality of young people in Japan.

## SOCIAL SCIENCE TEACHING

*The Teaching of the Social Sciences in the United States* 15 p. printed \$1.45  
 [Sc. P. Ej. Pr.] Further studies in the Social Sciences. Unesco is publishing comparative monographs each describing a particular country. Experience in this field we have already reviewed the United States. Social science teaching in France and the United Kingdom. Others will deal with Egypt, India, Mexico, Sweden and Yugoslavia. The report on the United States of America written by specialists surveys the basic characteristics of higher university education that you try and goes on to raise the development of social science teaching in that context. Special chapters deal

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... the international sphere. International co-operation would be impossible if there were no common functional interests which can be effectively protected only by specialized agencies. It is true that action by states can help to ensure economic and social progress on the international plane but it is the horizontal activity of international organizations that must give the greatest results. In this respect the author regrets that international events of a political nature seem more important than the constructive work of the Specialized Agencies. The necessary suppression of certain vertical barriers certainly involves risks but private initiative must succeed in dispelling the fears of the politicians. It therefore seems desirable that there should be a more limited form of autarchy to permit of a favourable evolution of the economic relations between states.

LEONTIEV (B.) *Meždunarodnoe sotrudničestvo i mir* (International co-operation and peace) *Novyy Mir* 12 1953 p. 208-17

The author discusses the problem of the maintenance of peace with special emphasis on the necessity of establishing peace between the Soviet countries have acquired the right to

no other country can overlook this fact. ... part of his study co-operation between the five great powers on the Security Council. The unanimity principle is the only one that leads to the peaceful solution of all international problems without prejudice to the interests of any nation. The accusations made by the United States against the U.S.S.R. with regard to the so-called abuse of the veto are not justified. In fact as the solutions recommended by the United States directly menace the security of the Soviet countries the latter are entitled to defend that security by all lawful means. However the problems that have been left in abeyance could be rapidly settled if the United States agreed to a reasonable discussion without opposing a priori every form of compromise. Lastly the author warns against recourse to a policy of force any state resorting to such a policy would be denounced and would have to fight alone. In conclusion the author contrasts the attitude of the U.S.A.—Aggressors in Korea—and that of the U.S.S.R. which is resolved to safeguard peace.

## THE UNITED NATIONS

### GENERAL

JEBB (SIR G.) 'The Free World and the United Nations' *Foreign Affairs* 31(3) April 1953 p. 382-91

There can be no question of a comparison between the present situation of the United Nations and that of the League of Nations when confronted with the Axis powers. The issue here is the rivalry between two blocs each of which comprises half of the world's population. As long as men of the Stalinist type predominate it will not be possible to speak of collective security.

It is no less certain that if the Soviet Union were excluded from the United Nations it would be reduced in practice to the nations at present belonging to the Pan American Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization—organization which are

undoubtedly more firmly established than the UN itself. However, the role that the UN can play in the event of wars of aggression is by no means negligible. The Peace Resolution must be organized by the General Assembly on the basis of the 'Uniting for Peace' Resolution. In general, the point of the disapprovements which could be expected is the most. The existence of the UN is still vital in order to convince the countries which politically underdeveloped countries that the idea that the 'Western Imperialists are hostile towards them is only a myth.

BENOUYA (Rod If G) Es c y trayect ria d l bloque africano-asiat co (Nature and activity of the Afro-Asian bloc) Cuadernos d Estudio Africano Decem-ber 1953 24 p 9-2  
The Afro-Asian bloc which was constituted in 1951 proved particularly effective during the furtherance of the United Nations General Assembly. Animated by a common ideal of self-determination, the countries belonging to this bloc combat all forms of colonialism or trusteeship on the principle that all peoples are entitled to govern themselves. The Afro-Asian bloc has grown up around the nucleus created by the Arab League, and this gives it cohesion and makes it aware of the efficacy of concerted action in the international plan. At the UN General Assembly it won the support of the 50th American countries which wholeheartedly winged independent policy. The American interests to defend. There is thus being formed a group of countries which is determined to defend the small oppressed races. The influence of the Afro-Asian bloc on the demands of the colonial races. The influence of the Afro-Asian bloc on international policy particularly during the discussion of questions concerning North Africa, howed that the great powers must henceforth reckon with this group of small states.

E. B. The Eighth Assembly of the United Nations World Today 10 (2) February 1954, p 8-80  
The eighth session of the United Nations General Assembly was the first to be held after the Korean armistice and the death of Stalin. It was therefore expected that considerable progress would be made towards the solution of the main international problems. In fact, the results were not entirely negative. This session did not fulfil the hopes placed in it, and no progress achieved if not entirely illusory was the fruit of a day's debate. The same number of speeches and the same flow of many during the previous session were devoted by the Assembly to the Korean problem as was left in the hands of Lukens. The importance attached to the President Eisenhower's address at the UN energy the two fundamental questions of general policy—disarmament and the expansion of the Charter—were practically neglected by the General Assembly.

TRUMAN (G) 'Nations Unies Eisenhower posed le problème anéantissement ou p grés social Labor 26(6-7) Dec. 1953 J n. 1954 p 141 46  
The most important event of the eighth session of the United Nations General Assembly was undoubtedly President Eisenhower's address on the further development of atomic energy. The attention paid to the President's address on the further development of atomic energy was a direct result of the main preoccupations in the international sphere. Consequently the question of disarmament occupied an important place in the discussion of the United Nations. The establishment of a special fund for the economic development of underdeveloped countries in the financing of this fund seemed closely bound up with the work of the Third Committee. The Committee of experts on human resources and cultural questions was characterized by the dual and useless racial disputes between the United States and Soviet Socialist Republics. The capitalist countries with regard to the two questions of forced labour and prison slavery.

DULLES (F) United Nations Charter Review *Department of State Bulletin* 30(162)  
1 Feb 1954 p 170-73

It must be admitted that the great hopes placed in the United Nations at the San Francisco Conference in 1945 have not been fully realized. This is due in the first place to the fact that these were largely excessive and also to the attitude of the Communist bloc. Nevertheless the United Nations has achieved considerable results in Korea: it offered the first real collective resistance to armed aggression; it has endeavoured to replace the colonial system by self government; it has succeeded in promoting the economic and social progress of a large part of the world's population; lastly the General Assembly has acted as an international forum of opinion.

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DAWSON (K. H.) 'The United Nations in a Divided World' *World Politics* 1  
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GROSS (E. A.) Revising the Charter: Is it possible? Is it wise? *Foreign Affairs* 32(2)  
Jan 1954 p 203-16

The Charter lays down two essential purposes for the United Nations: to maintain international peace and security and promote the conditions of well-being and security necessary for the development of peaceful and friendly relations between the nations of the world. However, it now appears that these aims can no longer be achieved without a revision of the United Nations Charter. The conference that will have to be held in order to carry out this task will have three different tasks:

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to the Organization. The other problems, such as the control of the veto and the alteration

of the voting system at the General Assembly, are in fact rather secondary. The

American Constitution shows that every constitution must be flexible if it is to last.

It is desirable therefore that the United Nations Charter should also be of this nature.

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LERICHE (A.) Les missions permanentes auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies  
*Revue de Droit International de Sciences diplomatiques et politiques* 31(4) Oct-Dec 1953  
 p 406-11

Although only the States represented on the Security Council are obliged by the United Nations Charter to maintain a permanent representative at the Organization's headquarters it has become a practice for Member States to appoint permanent missions in spite of the fact that there is no obligation on that matter. The credentials of the Secretary-General as the main that of respect is to ensure liaison with their Assembly and the Councils. This of course does not exclude and heads of government.

23 January 1954 p 181-83  
 The fundamental task of the United Nations Fourth Committee on Trusteeship is to ensure the application of Article 76 of the Charter in the administration respect. Unfortun- try to create p of the unification have provided th they has merely the work of the Administering Authorities. Apart from this blameworthy attitude and the obvious abuse of the right of petition the Fourth Committee is tending more and more to exceed its original terms of reference. For instance it has established a Committee on Information from Non-self-governing Territories and the *ad hoc* Committee on Factors (Non-self-governing Territories) whose interventions are likely to complicate still further the task of the Administering Authorities. The committee maintains quite unreasonably its demands for self-government and independence without taking into account the wishes of the people.

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Proposition relative à la création d'un Fonds spécial des Nations Unies pour le développement économique. *Commission des Caraïbes. Bulletin mensuel d'information* 7(3) Oct 1953 p 12 and 13

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nal capital in the form of subventions to long term loans at low interest. The methods of financing and administering the fund which are defined in the general recommendations contained in the report, are based on the principle of trust relations between the governments concerned—relations designed to improve the well being of the whole population.

RATNA RAO (T S) I dia d the United Nations *The Indian Yearbook of International Law* 1952 Madras Dacca Press 1952 53 p 246-57  
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 India, who has one of the original signatories to the San Francisco Conference to the United Nations Charter has always attached considerable importance to the United Nations where it plays a vital role. An intermediary between the great powers and chosen as mediator for the settlement of disputes it has helped in particular to secure a cease fire in Korea and to ensure the maintenance of peace among the various regions of the United Nations. India attributes particular importance to the Trusteeship Council. Its representatives on the council have adopted a clearly marked attitude in favour of the independence of the peoples of trust territories. They have maintained that all trusteeship agreements come within the jurisdiction of the international organization and that the sovereignty of the territories in question belongs neither to the powers especially responsible for their administration nor to the international organization but to the peoples themselves. Lastly they have insistently requested that the trusteeship agreements should provide definite time limits for the termination of the trusteeship and the granting of independence. Besides defending the above point of view India has also championed human rights from the standpoint of the African continent, although its efforts have always been hampered by the United Nations policy adopted by the United Nations on the efficacy and utility of the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

THE INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION

He rz (W G) De Arbeit in der Internationalen Rechtskommission der Vereinten  
Nationen (The work of the United Nations International Law Commission)  
Friedens W 12 52(1) 93 P 9-47  
The International Law Commission was established by a decision taken by the United  
Nations General Assembly on 21 November 1947. In accordance with its statute the  
Commission consists of 5 members of different nationalities chosen from among  
distinguished experts of the Law of Nations. The Commission was entrusted with the  
development and codification of international law and for each of these tasks different  
working methods were prescribed by its statute. Among the results achieved by the  
Commission in 1949 mention must be made of the following drawing up of a  
draft of the rights and duties of states draft of the Nuremberg principles  
review of the possibilities of establishing an International Criminal Court preparation  
of Draft Code of Offences against the Peace and Security of Mankind study of the  
definition of aggression and examination of problems relating to stateless persons  
Whatever criticism may be levelled against many of the Commission's decisions the  
work inspired by its members has them to be eminent jurists and distinguished  
citizens of the world

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KO ARNICK (T) The Problem of Neutrality under the United Nations Charter  
 The G. I. Soc. Transactions for the 1952 P. 77-91  
 national Law G. I. Soc. 1952 v. 138  
 At present, neutrality does not afford adequate guarantees to a nation that the inde-  
 pendence and integrity of its territory will be expected. Analysing international  
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gerence must satisfy similar conditions. Nevertheless confusion reigns in the very often the relations between belligerent and non-belligerent states. The resulting confusion of international law which international law

the field of international law is undermined by the concept of non belligerence which it should provide against aggression renders illusory the protection

CASTBERG (Frede) L'influence du Droit des gens sur le développement des principes de la neutralité  
1953 p 53 63 8vo

The author shows that the principle of neutrality is not only a principle of international law but also a principle of domestic law. It is a principle which is applied in all civilized countries in time of peace and in time of war. It is a principle which is frequently sacrificed to motives tending to ensure the security and peace of states in conditions which are contrary to the law. In fact numerous legal provisions exist which are reasons impairments of a high degree of security of states.

These are accepted as valid

FREEMAN (Harrop A) Some Frontiers for International Administrative Law. The Indian Year Book of International Affairs 1955 Madras Doosan Press 1952 53 p 46-64. The development of international administrations even more than that of political organizations constitutes a functional approach to peace. In fact these first must gradually settle the international problems that divide states. After defending this argument the author examines the activities of the International Monetary Fund and the recommendations of the United Nations political organs. Thus to a certain extent the concept of exclusive jurisdiction mentioned in paragraph 7 of Article 2 of the Charter of the United Nations is recommended by the author.

These are limited by the concept of exclusive jurisdiction mentioned in paragraph 7 of Article 2 of the Charter of the United Nations. The author recommends that a specialized agency provided with exclusive jurisdiction should be established. He shows that this Specialized Agency will enable a practical solution to be found at the present time. The progress of international administration is limited by the concept of exclusive jurisdiction mentioned in paragraph 7 of Article 2 of the Charter of the United Nations.

KHALDER NAVAZ (Mahomed) Criminal Jurisdiction and International Law. The Indian Year Book of International Affairs 1955 Madras Doosan Press 1952 53 p 210-17. The author analyses from the point of view of International Law the provisions of the Indian penal code of 1860. He shows that the principle of territorial jurisdiction is the basis of all state jurisdiction. An offence committed by a citizen who commits

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KESVA RAO (C) Cu il Jurisd ct and I ternat onal Law *The Indian Yearbook of International Law* 1952 M dras Docean Press 19 2 53 p 218-28  
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th espe t territor es

PASIN COSTADO (Ca los Albert) El esp o ereo (dominium ca l) (Au pace)  
*Revista del Inst t d Derecho I ternacional* 1952 no 16 p 43-68

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M RE A Q L TANA (L.) El ma ual d Or rd y la guerra maritima (The Oxford  
manual d maritum wa) *Revista del Inst t d Der ho Internacional* 1952 n 16  
p 718

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REITH (Charles) *International Authority and the Enforcement of Law The Grotius Society Transactions for the year 1952 Problems of Public and Private Intern*

Grotius Society vol 38 1952 p 100 21

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# INTERNATIONAL PENAL LAW

SORTILE (A) *Le Pape Pie XII et le Droit pénal international* *Revue nationale de Sciences diplomatiques*

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—hitherto unsolved—of defining aggression Likewise a penal code is necessary for the repression of international crimes

The United Nations must consider the establishment of this court and the drafting of this code as one of its most urgent tasks Up to the present a large number of distinguished jurists have supported these arguments Pope Pius XII completely concurred with them in his address to the International Congress of Penal Law on 3 October 1953 in Rome After emphasizing the importance of international penal law in the modern world the Pope enumerated a number of offences which should be punished in accordance with an international penal code and defined the foundations of such a code as well as the guarantees which international penal procedure must offer to the accused

GOLDENBERG (A V) *Le Droit pénal et la Communauté Européenne de Défense*

*Revue Internationale de Police criminelle* 9(75) Feb 1954 p 46-48

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**HUMAN RIGHTS**

WEGNER (Arthur) Die Stellung der Einzelperson im privaten  
(The status of the individual in modern  
international law and the position of the individual in  
the modern state)

The number of refugees and displaced persons who have made it necessary to define the rights of the individual on the international plane. This need was met by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in December 1948 and the Geneva Convention on the treatment of prisoners of war and the protection of civilians during time of war adopted in August 1949. The authorities however that there is no parallel recognition of the duties of man. The latter concept must be defined particularly with regard to war time application so that the conduct of hostilities does not violate the rules based on the fundamental principles of international law. Consequently it is necessary to define these principles in regard to the categories of legal orders that the individual and the domestic private law that functionate the domain of public law that the domestic groups and lastly that of spiritual values and the Churches. All these legal orders must be based on the recognition of the rights and duties of man, in all fields. Precise limits must therefore be set to state that, either by the establishment of procedures of disarmament or by the imposition of rules of conduct.

UHLER (Oscar M) La pers huma dans l'IV Con ent n de Genève Retu  
ternationale d la C ix Ro g Jan. 1954, P 11 24  
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*Française et Parlement* 5(47) 1954 p. 1

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The programme of technical assistance missions and the  
 training of technical personnel in the underdeveloped countries—are already numerous The Point Four  
 programme the foundations of which were laid by President Truman in 1949 has  
 already made it possible to achieve considerable results although the projects contained  
 in it are by their very nature long term projects The United Nations Technical  
 Assistance Programme benefits by the financial contributions of all Member States  
 and the co-operation of all Specialized Agencies Its budget increases every year  
 and projects requiring new methods of international financing are under consideration  
 In addition to these two plans there are the Colombo Plan and the French bilateral  
 system of technical assistance French industrialists should realize that their duty  
 as well as their interest enjoins them to take an ever larger part in the technical  
 assistance programmes

KARIUS (A) Weniger Illusionen über unterentwickelte Gebiete (Fewer illusions  
 about underdeveloped countries) *Der Volksfreund* 18(11) 13 March 1954 p. 16-17

Considerable illusions are at present entertained with regard to underdeveloped  
 countries In the first place President Truman's Point Four is not just another Marshall  
 Plan on behalf of these countries but simply a programme

Further even if a more rapid rate of economic growth is achieved within the framework of  
 those generally anticipated it will not be sufficient to meet the needs of the  
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 of the underdeveloped countries are not only more numerous but also more complex

caused by demographic pressure which is raised and usually tends to offset  
 results achieved in the economic field Industry in itself must be preceded by the ratification  
 Only then and provided it is cautious can it produce the desired results

DREYER (J. J.) 'The Economic Development of Underdeveloped Colonial Territories  
 in Africa' *Commerce and Industry* 12(3) Nov. 1953 p. 131-39

Numerous factors have contributed to the development of underdeveloped territories  
 in Africa The second world war which obliged the Allied Powers to seek elsewhere  
 the raw materials they could no longer find in the East led to the first serious efforts  
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BALABRINA (Dr R) 'U derdevel pment. A World Econom c Liability The  
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CURCI (Ca l) Il p blem l niale (The lo ial p oblem) Stud pol tics Year II  
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MENDES FRANCE (P) L'Assistance aux pays sous-développés (Le Point IV) *France et Parlement* 5(47) Feb 1954 p 24

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system of technical assistance French industrialists should realize that their duty  
as well as their interest enjoins them to take an ever larger part in the technical  
assistance programmes

KARIUS (A) Weniger Illusionen über unterentwickelte Gebiete (Fewer illusions  
about underdeveloped countries) *Der Volksst* 8(11) 13 March 1954 p 16 17

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DREYER (J J) The Economic Development of Underdeveloped Colonial Territories  
in Africa *Commerce and Industry* 12(3) Nov 1953 p 131 39

Numerous factors have contributed to the development of underdeveloped territories  
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the raw materials they could no longer find in the East led to the first serious efforts  
towards the economic development of these territories After the war the colonial

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BALAKRISHNA (Dr R) Underdevelopment. A World Economic Liability. The  
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# THE REFUGEE PROBLEM

Haut Commissaire des Nations Unies pour les réfugiés  
Consultatif Informatif

the High Commissioner is jeopardized by the inadequacy of the funds allocated to him. The committee also noted that the situation of refugees being evacuated from China might be given to the High Commissioner. It is obvious that it would be required of refugees rather than of the High Commissioner.

BODE (Dr) La Convention relative au statut des réfugiés. *Revue internationale de la Croix Rouge* 36(422) Feb 1954 p 123-28  
The dimensions assumed by the refugee problem after the second world war led the United Nations to seek practical solutions—UNRRA then IRO—and legal solutions. The particular task of the United Nations in this field is to ensure legal protection for refugees on an international basis. It was to that effect that the representatives of 26 states published on 28 July 1951 the Geneva Convention relating to the status of refugees which has just entered into force following on its ratification by a sixth signatory state, Australia. An analysis of its contents shows that this convention although it still leaves much to be desired represents a great effort to improve the situation of refugees. It is to be hoped that a large number of states will ratify it and that the states of the Eastern bloc whose citizens constitute an important proportion of the refugees protected by the convention will also be among the signatories.

## DISARMAMENT

INGLIS (D R) 'The H Bomb and Disarmament Prospects' *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists* 10(2) Feb 1954 p 41-45 and 64  
With the invention of the H bomb the world has begun to realize the immense destructive power of atomic weapons. It is becoming ever more certain that both hostile camps have practically the same possibilities in this sphere. Peace in the West no longer rests on the superiority which the West has long enjoyed. The frankness of the President's proposals of inestimable importance. He suggests firstly the establishment of an organization designed to pool for peaceful purposes the world's knowledge and productive potentialities in the field of atomic energy. He then proposes the creation of a body for the control of atomic production and disarmament. These proposals which are closely linked with the problem of the revision of the United Nations Charter raise the question of the establishment of a world government which alone would be able to control the alarming progress of the destructive power of the atom.





## INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

LALOIRE (M) L'Organisation Internationale de Travail *Revue nouvelle* 18(11) 15 Nov 1953 p 409 14

As the funds placed at its disposal are to be reduced the International Labour Organisation will be obliged to slow down its activities especially in the field of technical assistance to underdeveloped countries. Such a situation is both shocking and paradoxical. The high standard of living is steadily increasing. ILO's work in technical assistance is considerable. The delegates of the beneficiary countries have proclaimed the need for its continuation and even for its intensification. Underdeveloped countries need more technical assistance and statistics and more people to be trained in the demographic process. Technical assistance can produce results only after many years of efforts. ILO must be given the necessary means for continuing it on a larger scale.

EGGERMANN (G) Le Conseil d'administration du BIT tient sa 123<sup>e</sup> session *Labor* 26(6-7) Dec 1953 Jan 1954 p 147 51

During its 123rd session in November 1953 ILO's Governing Body made a large number of decisions, one of which concerned the convening of a European Regional Conference at the end of 1954. The main points are:

1. Important problems will be discussed: the need for workers' professional training in agriculture and the revision of the convention concerning protection against accidents (dockers).

SULKOWSKI (Dr) Les conférences régionales de l'Organisation Internationale de Travail *Revue générale de Droit international public* 57(24) Oct-Dec 1953 p 613 30

Regional conferences inaugurated in 1935 have become one of ILO's regular activities. According to the rules concerning their powers, functions and procedure, these conferences are attended mainly by delegations from each state or territory invited by the International Labour Organisation, an ambiguous formula which in fact refers to Member States and the other territories including trust territories. These conferences are also attended by a delegation from ILO's Governing Body and by representatives of international organizations (governmental and non-governmental). The number of delegates to the conferences is fixed by the Conference Rules.

The purpose of the regional conferences upon the Governing Body is shown by another provision in the Statutory Rules: empowering the Governing Body to decide on the validity of the credentials of delegates to the conferences.

## THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION

NORDLANDER (C H) FAO's Verksamhet (The activities of FAO) *Jädrub och omvärld Meddelanden* 16(1) Jan 1954 p 3 13

The last conference of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) held in Rome in December 1953 marked an important stage in its development. Whereas during a previous session it had been decided to make a general effort to increase agricultural production, it is interesting to note that this time FAO recom-

mended effective efforts confined mainly to the products most in demand and to the countries which are still most dependent on foreign aid. The conference did not affect surplus Apecal committee has been instructed to study this question. was ther unanimity regarding the establishment of an International Subsistence Fund. Nevertheless the results achieved by FAO are of estimable importance and the budgetary contributions of Member States are undoubtedly profitable investments.

# INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

MERVEN (C. L.) Q. ad rent il du Fonds Mo étaire Internat nal *Revue Économique*  
M h 1954, n 2 p 252 6  
In spite of unfavorable circumstances such as the persistence of international tensions or the difficulty by most countries of development programmes with a excessively inflationary tendency the International Monetary Fund has done valuable work during the first even years of its existence. Endeavouring to impose sound methods in the field of international exchange it has succeeded in promoting international financial co-operation, which has brought about a considerable improvement in the world payments situation and an important decrease in the restrictions imposed on international transactions. Its international character and the value of the information provided has enabled it to undertake numerous activities in the field of technical assistance. Its achievements are no less remarkable than the fields of information and documentation. R. cent decisions to relax the rules governing the right of members to draw on the Fund currency reserves—rules which had frequently given rise to criticism.

Les écentes décisions du Fonds Monétaire International et la concertation des monnaies *P blème é nomique* 3 8 2 F b 1954 p 12  
With the explicit intention of supporting nations wishing to make the currency convertible the International Monetary Fund Board of Executive Directors decided December 1953 to relax the rules governing the duration of the loans granted from the Fund currency reserves to increase the duration of the loans granted from the reserves of member states. This is a significant step in allowing countries facing the effects of convertibility might have their gold reserves with a kind of exchange rate stabilization fund. In this way the Fund has made definite progress on the stabilization of international trade since 1945 the Fund's reserves are sufficient to make it possible to undertake greater fluctuations in exchange rates on the basis of the expansion of international trade. Similarly to keep pace with the variations in international currencies should be increased by proportionally augmenting the contributions of the United States and Canada.

## BOOK REVIEWS

### UNITED NATIONS

MANGONE (Ger d J.) *A Short History of International Organization* (McGraw Hill Series in Political Science) New York: McGraw Hill Book Company 1954 326 p  
International organization is here taken in the broadest sense and the author deals with experiments in co-operation and the regulation of affairs between sovereign states.

from ancient Egypt to the Korean war. The first half of the book gives a bird-eye view of the development in both scope and size of the technique of nations meeting together or combining to solve their common problems. Mention is made of the inter-Aegean treaties prior to 338 B.C., early European leagues such as the Swiss Confederation of 1315, the Congress of Westphalia and the Hanseatic League, and the emergence of modern international relations through the Peace of Utrecht is traced.

Professor Mangone accords considerable space to a discussion of the treaties and congresses which took place in Europe during and immediately after the Napoleonic era, outlining the strength and weaknesses of the settlement which emerged from the Congress of Vienna and the breakdown of the consultative system at the end of the nineteenth century. He goes on to deal with a number of those nineteenth-century conventions which so successfully regulated international

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Professor Mangone's book is a valuable combination of the approaches associated with international relations, history, political science and international law, setting the already well-publicized activities of modern organizations in their proper perspective and historical background. Each chapter is carefully documented and there are appendices at the end of most chapters which give verbatim extracts from, or quote in *extenso*, selected documents pertinent to the matters just discussed—the Utrecht Peace Treaty, Covenant of the League of Nations, North Atlantic Treaty, etc.

HOFMANN (Stanley). *Organisations internationales et problèmes politiques des États* (Cahiers de la Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, no. 54). Paris: A. Colin, 1954. 428 p. 8vo.

The author sets out to determine the extent to which states have sacrificed or limited some of their powers of jurisdiction by the creation of international organizations. He also seeks by analysing the modes of procedure to define the influence exerted by these organizations in the fulfilment of the functions of a political

it is necessary powers to make its influence fully felt. Its effect on the jurisdiction of states in political matters was limited by the inadequate legal means at its disposal. The United Nations, on the other hand, intervenes more effectively in the field of national jurisdiction, that is to be explained by the transfer of powers of jurisdiction to the Assembly and by the use of energetic methods of procedure. The United Nations, however, has exerted an influence only on small and medium-sized states and has had no effect on the satellites of the



BASTID (Suzanne) *La Jurisprudence de la Cour internationale de Justice (Revue des cours de l'Académie d'orientation internationale)* Paris Sirey 1951 p 579 686 8vo

The binding force of legal precedents confers on jurisprudence a leading role in the development of a legal system. The author studies from that standpoint the function of the International Court of Justice whose activity has led to the creation of the first rough draft of international jurisprudence. The author gives a systematic analysis of the decisions of the Court and classes each particular problem in a more general category. After dealing with the basic ideas of the competence and function of the Court the author then begins her survey with decisions relating to international conventions and the general principles of law. The concept of international law is precisely stated and in this connexion the position of the civil servants. The position of the disputes shows the legal implications of the concept of national sovereignty. The judgments and opinions of the Court are discussed in detail.

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Evolution of the law of international law.

## INTERNATIONAL LAW

WEHBERG (Hans) *Krieg und Eroberung im Wandel des Völkerrechts* Frankfurt on the Main Alfred Metzner 1953 135 p 8vo

In the classic conception of international law recourse to war, the application of the principle of the just war, was accorded to every State as an attribute of its sovereignty. The outlawing of force as a means of settling disputes made its appearance only with the Covenant of the League of Nations and above all with the Briand Treaty. The territorial integrity of states is the foundation of the system.

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PLISCHKE (Elmer) *International Relations Basic Document* New York Van Nostrand 1953 194 p 8vo

The author has collected and classified a number of documents designed to serve as a basis for the study of inter-state relations. The documents are arranged in notes dealing with the questions of international law, international relations, international organizations, international law and administration concerned with international law and international relations. The documents are arranged in notes dealing with the questions of international law, international relations, international organizations, international law and administration concerned with international law and international relations.

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makes that commitment to the international system appear even stronger and  
emphasizes the intermingling of municipal and international law

THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

DESRES (Jean Pierre) *Le Canada et l'Organisation Internationale du Travail* Moiret  
Fides 1947 273 p 8vo  
The book begins by studying the purpose and function of the International Labour  
Organization and analyses the origin of the idea of the legal protection of workers  
H then proceeds to examine the problems raised by the participation of Canada in  
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MARRAMA (Vittoria) *La banca mondiale e lo sviluppo economico dei paesi arretrati* Milan  
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Di SIMONE (Giovanni Maria) *Progetti di cooperazione monetaria e finanziaria internazionale*  
Rome Banca 1952 72 p 8vo

International financial bodies whether their purpose is to facilitate exchanges through multilateral payments like the European Payments Union to grant loans like the International Bank or to carry out financial policy like the International Monetary Fund are certainly effective but lack the necessary means to solve certain problems. The expansion of the European Payments Union into an Atlantic Payments Union can help the development of exchanges between highly industrialized countries only. There is in fact need for a body capable of encouraging the growth of trade with under developed countries. The author then examines schemes which have already been put forward several times for establishing an international financial company. This body would be competent to grant medium and long term credits it would call to a large extent upon private enterprise and should possess a Statute and means of action more flexible than those of the International Bank. It would not of course be able to solve all the problems connected with the establishment of programmes of economic development and the total number of its commitments would be limited but it would be the rational complement of the work of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund.

#### NON SELF GOVERNING TERRITORIES

ALLEGRI (Alberto) *L'amministrazione fiduciaria della Somalia* (un singolare trusteeship)  
Venezia Arte grafiche delle Venezie 1951 40 p 8vo

The evolution of the status of Somaliland from the League of Nations Mandate to the Trusteeship Agreement signed under the aegis of the United Nations has been in the direction of a strengthening of the political and administrative controls exercised by the international authority. The work of the Trusteeship Council is particularly effective both as regards the reports submitted to it and the more direct action represented by the inquiries carried out into the methods of the administrators. On the political level it is conceded that trusteeship must lead to independence. In any case the abolition of the Trusteeship Agreement and the recognition of Somaliland as an independent state depend upon the fulfilment of certain conditions: the establishment of a central authority and an independent local administration capable of guaranteeing the preservation of law and order, the organization of a judiciary body designed to ensure the defence of human rights. In another field the creation of a Somaliland currency could not solve the economic and financial problems involved in the development of the country's resources and in its balance of payments. Somaliland which is politically free must remain economically dependent on a great power.

#### UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES

SCHUSTER (Hans) *Wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit mit unterentwickelten Ländern* Bremen Bremer Ausschuss für Wirtschaftsforschung 1951 125 p 8vo

Point Four is a proof of the United States determination to ensure the under developed countries regarded as economic vacuums a certain degree of economic development indispensable for the increase of international trade. It also reflects United States concern to maintain a certain political stability in countries often

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KINDELBARGER (Charles P) *International Economics* Howewood R D Irwin 1953

543 p 8vo bibliography

International economic relations depend to a large extent on the means and methods at the disposal of states for the financial control of exchanges. International economy has been characterized since 1945 by the development of commercial currents regulated by artificial methods of payment founded on the principle of assistance. The dollar deficit and the assistance programmes in the form of gifts or loans of dollars have thus constituted the financial framework of international trade. If the problem of the dollar shortage tends to be easier to solve other problems particularly the problem of raw materials are becoming more acute. The author presents the problem as a whole linking the supply and cost of raw materials with the growth of national income in underdeveloped countries. This economic expansion presupposes an increase in international investments which are very inadequate in their total amount as compared for instance with internal investments in the United States of America. Despite the activities of international organizations favourable conditions for the export of capital by wealthy countries have not arisen and investments abroad are totally inadequate to meet the needs of world economy. The only important movements of capital have come about as a result of official programmes and it seems that only the drawing up of a long term plan enables highly industrialized countries to solve the problem of economic underdevelopment. The need for such a plan is evident a theoretical study of economic relations between states shows that international exchanges cannot progress without a certain measure of the equipment and unless adequate means of transport are provided. The author concludes with a purely economic analysis of the problem beyond the scope of the book.

# III NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## A MEETING OF EXPERTS ON SOCIAL SCIENCE TERMINOLOGY

Paris 57 May 1954

The committee of experts convened by Unesco was attended by  
Experts Professor M. Ginsberg (Chairman) University of Ghent Professor  
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d Épargne et de Retraite Belge Secretary of the Flemish Academy of Ghent  
H. J. Janssen (Belgium) Director of the Solvay Institute of Sociology Professor  
University of Brussels Professor G. Heckscher (Sweden)  
Stockholm Professor B. Wootton  
Bedford College, University of Göttingen  
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Suffrage University of Strasbourg  
Strasbourg Paris Professor W. Ogburn (United States of America) Emeritus Professor of the University of Chicago  
f the University of Chicago Professor at the National College of Oxford  
Bellima (Lebanon) Assistant Secretary-General of the Arab League.  
Observer Mrs S. Forgue United Nations  
Organization Mrs D. Lecourt, Organization of European Economic Co-operation  
Mrs H. Berger-Lieser International Economic Association  
International Political Science Association Professor C. Lévi-Strauss International Committee of  
Social Science Committee Professor A. Bertrand International Committee of  
Comparative Law Mr E. D. Dimperr Centre d'Études Sociologiques  
Member of the Unesco Secretariat Department of Social Sciences Mrs A. Myrdal M. G. de  
Lacharnière Dr O. Kleinberg Dr K. S. Czerba Likernik, Dr S. Friedma  
Mr P. Lengyel Department of Social Sciences  
The discussion was opened by Mrs A. Myrdal Director of the Social Sciences Department,  
which explained the usefulness of a glossary of social sciences and the  
difficulties involved in its compilation.  
The proposal of Professor Haesaert, Professor Ginsberg was invited chairman of  
the committee. Dr M. J. was appointed rapporteur-général.  
The following facts and conclusions emerged from the three days' discussion:  
The principle of the usefulness and urgent need of a dictionary of social sciences  
and of multilingual lexis of the social sciences was taken for granted from the  
start and was not challenged.  
All speakers agreed with the chairman's emphasis on the difficulties associated not  
only in the translation of terms from one language with a rich vocabulary to  
another equally well-equipped language but first of all within each individual language  
and each particular subject.  
After exchanging views the committee reported that Professor Haesaert  
suggested that however urgent the need for a glossary of social sciences  
lexicon of this type dictated by Mrs. Forgue and Mrs. Berger-Lieser was still too  
terminology in all the so-called well-equipped languages was still too vague for it  
to be possible to compile a lexicon in which the Professor Bert and his words

could at the present stage be no more than a series of approximations in a sea of obscurity

Priority was accordingly given to the compilation of a social sciences vocabulary in two well equipped languages

- 3 The committee further thought that despite the very real difficulties involved it would be possible to compile for the social sciences a work on much the same lines as those successfully produced for subjects giving rise to similar problems such as

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Unesco's decisions the resources of the various national groups concerned with terminology problems the methodological requirements of this type of work

However it recommended that social scientists be asked to examine as soon as possible the translations proposed in Unesco's terminology index cards from the scientific and linguistic standpoints alike

- 5 After thorough discussion the committee decided against Mr Vincent's proposal for a dictionary of social sciences on the same lines as he had proposed for his dictionary of demography i.e. in the form of a statement endeavouring to include all technical words and expressions set out in a logical sequence indexed in accordance with the universal decimal system (a proposal supported by Dr Holmstrom) and serving as a basis for each individual language

ment was so ingenious and valuable as to make it worthwhile bearing its principles in mind and taking them as a guide so far as possible once the first draft of the social sciences vocabulary had been worked out

- 6 The committee also adopted Professor Ginsberg's proposal that leading experts should first prepare special articles clarifying some of the basic terms used in the social sciences and that these articles should be published as contributions to an open forum in the *International Social Science Bulletin*

On the suggestion of Messrs Ginsberg Janne and Heckscher it was further requested that specialists in the various social and natural sciences should subsequently be convened to international round table discussions or symposia for the purpose of drawing up final definitions of these particularly complex concepts

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ings confused and imprecise uses of terms etc. to be emphasized by the use of a diacritical mark (e.g. /) (i) related or similar terms synonyms and antonyms

The committee also approved the principle of using quotations (extracts from deceased authors) for the purpose of (a) placing the various meanings in their proper historical and social setting (b) excluding all meanings proposed merely from bias in favour of a particular school of thought or excessive concern for uniformity (c) helping the linguists and translators responsible for the preparation of the multilingual lexicon





representatives of these various working parties would ensure uniformity of working methods exchange of experience a uniform solution for the problems raised  
12 As for the method of working Dr Szczerba summed up the various stages as follows (a) preparation by the rapporteur general of the report setting forth the decisions taken by the Committee of Experts on Social Science Terminology at its meeting of 5 6 7 May (b) circulation of the report by the secretariat among national and international scientific associations colleges and academies universities etc. its publication in specialist reviews and its submission to the various national and international social science congresses (c) preparation of precise instructions concerning terminology for submission to the different working parties concerned (d) drawing up of final plans for the guidance of national working parties during the pilot survey (e) definition of the 150-200 words chosen for the pilot survey on the basis of the instructions concerning terminology This work should be completed by the end of 1955 at the latest for both English and French and would then be submitted forthwith to the competent national and international academic and scientific authorities

In the light of the experience thus gained it would then be possible to promote the compilation in accordance with final plans jointly prepared of social science dictionaries in the various well equipped languages and simultaneously of a multilingual lexicon which would be as comprehensive as Unesco's resources and the various national working parties could make it

## THE FIRST ITALIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Milan 23 and 24 April 1954

This congress jointly convened by the Organization for European Economic Cooperation and the recently created Italian Association for Political and Social Sciences as its first public manifestation had as its theme the problem of Europe

In his opening remarks the President of the Italian section of OEEC Dr Enrico Falck outlined the objectives of the organization and the methods it was adopting towards the promotion of economic progress stressing particularly the benefits already derived from the OEEC-sponsored European Payments Union and the advantages that would accrue to Italy from an integration of the Western European economy

The contribution made by the comparatively new discipline of politics to the study of European problems was the subject of the introductory paper delivered by Professor F. Vito President of the Italian Association for Political and Social Sciences The emergence and rapid expansion of a scientific theory of the formation of political decisions had not really affected the fundamental and traditional methodology in this field which consisted of a threefold approach based on history juridical and philosophical speculation and empirical observation analogous to that employed in the physical sciences Although in Italy a humanistic bias was still generally preferred in such studies there was as elsewhere an increasing recognition of the enormous role of politics on all other social science disciplines and the necessity for greater interdisciplinary co-ordination

The various plans for European unification—through federalism monetary union customs union and so on—were based on the assumption that once certain underlying obstacles were removed the political and social life of the continent would integrate automatically It was the object of the congress to examine the validity of this assumption

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The idea of national sovereignty in its modern shape a legacy of the French Revolution was the transference of the older attributes of an absolute monarchy to the nation as a whole. Yet in the modern state sovereignty was limited internally by individual rights just as before it was limited by democratic pressure the social contract theory and the concept of natural law.

The definition of sovereignty must be circular it was simply every juridical act performed by a state of its own free will within the bounds of its constitution and it was as such perfectly consistent with an association of democratic states in a free union. Such a union did not like a federal system postulate an internal structure of all member states matching the federal structure nor did it imply a renunciation of national liberties it merely curtailed the power of states to act unilaterally on common problems.

The third part of the congress dealt with the economic aspects of the European problem. The ideal of a united market of 300 million consumers which had often been put forward as a solution for Europe's economic ills through the example of the United States of America was neither easy to achieve nor necessarily the right answer. After 90 years of political unity the economic problem of the depressed South still existed in Italy submitted Professor di Nardi economics and politics did not always go hand in hand.

Before any kind of economic union could be inaugurated several conditions had to be fulfilled. In the first place there must be a single currency or free currency convertibility. This in turn presupposed an equilibrium in the various national balances of payments otherwise the economically weaker states would tend to fall under the domination of the stronger ones. There must also be a uniform fiscal policy an internal monetary policy designed to curb inflationary pressure on prices and public investment directed towards increased productivity. This problem was complicated by the peculiar situation of Great Britain and her membership of the sterling zone. A second condition for economic union was the abolition of all customs barriers which could only be achieved very gradually. Other problems were those of a common policy on employment trade cycles and public finance as well as the free movement of labour and the equalization of social security facilities. A gradual approach which would tackle the most pressing economic problems first was the most hopeful.

Professor Feroldi listed three major prerequisites for European economic unity a supra-national political authority an analogous economic authority that could leave member states only a limited amount of freedom of action in the economic sphere and complete currency convertibility. At present the two most powerful forces working against economic unity were the distortion of national economies through rearmament and the non-complementary nature of national economies. To counteract this it was suggested that the criteria governing the supply of industrial products to non-European countries be reviewed and intra-European exchange be reactivated. When production was reorganized to provide for national specialization while allowing for comparative costs both competition and complementarity must be fostered simultaneously. A customs union was to be regarded as the ultimate goal but convertibility could only accompany not precede such co-ordination.

Finally there was a plea for the necessity of an amalgamation of European peoples introduced by Professor I. M. Sacco. Switzerland for example unlike the U.S.A. was a state but not a nation its peoples did not really coalesce. At present there was a need for building labourers in France for miners in England but the exclusionist tactics of governments and trade unions made immigration practically impossible. No real European unity could be hoped for until there was a perfectly unhindered flow of people from country to country.

In closing the congress Dr. Falck expressed the hope that fuller attention would be devoted to the problem of Europe after the stimulating introduction just given and stressed the importance for Italy of the development in particular of economic studies.



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*Research programme* The executive committee took note of the completion of the investigation into the political role of women (rapporteur general Professor M Duverger France) and into the problems regarding new states and international organizations (rapporteur general Professor B Akzin Israel) It further considered the investigation into local government in rural communities still proceeding under Professor H Zink Lastly it drew up a programme for the development of political science subject to adequate funds being secured

*Publications* The executive committee was informed of the conditions on which Unesco would undertake publication of the General Report on the Teaching of Political Science throughout the world (1954) in 1954) The executive committee decided to continue publication of *Political Science Abstracts* in conjunction with the International Committee for Social Science Documentation It also decided to continue work on a volume presenting a comparative study of the main civil service systems of the world and on a special number of the *International Social Science Bulletin* devoted to a political science subject of general interest

*Expansion of IPSA* The executive committee adopted measures to expand the activities and influence of the association in all parts of the world particularly in the countries of Latin America and Asia It was decided to undertake a large scale campaign to increase individual and group memberships

Persons wishing to join the International Political Science Association as individual members should apply to the association's secretariat 27 rue St Guillaume Paris (VII) The subscription is US \$6 or the equivalent in other currencies (reduced to \$5 or the equivalent for members of any national political science association affiliated to IPSA) Individual members are entitled to the regular supply of the circular letter published quarterly by the association and of one of the two following publications *International Social Science Bulletin* *International Political Science Abstracts*

## THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION'S MEETINGS

Cologne 10-12 June 1954

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and published the annual report for the year 1953-54 which will be circulated to members of the association and individual members. The committee also published the annual report in October 1954 the *Transaction* of the executive committee. The annual report of the executive committee will be held in the annual meeting.

The annual meeting will be held in the city of Brussels on the 12th, 13th and 14th of September 1955. It will have as its central theme 'Problems of Social Change in the Twentieth Century' and will be organized in six sections: 1. an introduction to the symposium on the factors in social change; 2. on law and morals; 3. on the organization of society; 4. on the economic structure particularly industrialization; 5. on changes in education, particularly changes in the family; 6. on changes in the social mobility; 7. on the conditions of access to education; 8. on the different types of change. A concluding paper and discussion on the international situation of these different types of change.

It was decided that one session of the congress should be reserved for a discussion on the organization of society and the other with the teaching of sociology. On the basis of the experience of the Liège congress the executive committee established a provisional timetable which will leave time available for informal discussion groups. The main persons of the congress will be by invitation and they will be printed and circulated to participants in advance.

The executive committee also discussed plans for the organization of a round table on the middle classes in underdeveloped countries. This will take place in the Middle East in the autumn of 1955 and will be organized by the ISA in collaboration with the United Nations.

The executive committee reported on the current activities of the ISA, and particularly the development of *Current Sociology* on the preparations for a symposium on social change in peasant communities and an evaluation of research to conflict and war which is being prepared for UNESCO Professor Ginsberg gave a report of the UNESCO meeting of experts on the terminology of the social sciences and of the plans for a dictionary of basic terms.

The executive committee members discussed the research programme of the ISA. They approved the executive committee's informed plans for the organization of a Third World Conference on Social Stratification and Social Mobility to be held in Amsterdam from 6-8 December 1954. This conference will assess completed research and consider the extent of research to be carried out and study means of presenting preliminary cross-national comparisons. The research committee members went to the new research proposals in particular a proposal submitted by Professor Segerstedt. Dr Eisenstadt and Mr Friis presented research in youth questions especially the youth activities and youth organizations to community participation. It was decided to invite a number of sociologists to discuss this question and make plans for cross-national research in the working conference to be held in December 1954. Finally the members discussed proposals for inter-disciplinary research made by the International Social Science Council.

During their stay in Cologne the delegates visited the Unesco Institute for Social Sciences where they heard the report of the institute's research from the director Dr N. L. Anderson. They also met the members of the German sociologists at a special meeting arranged by Professors von Wiese and Koenig. At the close of their meeting the delegates attended a reception and dinner given in their honour by the Oberbürgermeister of Cologne Dr Ernst Schwering.

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*Research programme* The executive committee took note of the completion of the investigation into the political role of women (rapporteur general Professor M Duverger France) and into the problems regarding new states and international organizations (rapporteur general Professor B Alzin Israel) It further considered the investigation into local government in rural communities still proceeding under Professor H Zink. Lastly it drew up a programme for the development of political science subject to adequate funds being secured

*Publications* The executive committee was informed of the conditions on which Unesco would undertake publication of Professor Robson's General Report on the Teaching of Political Science throughout the world and of the International Political Science Bibliography (whose first number covering 1952 is scheduled for publication in 1954) The executive committee decided to continue publication of *International Political Science Abstracts* in conjunction with the International Committee for Social Science Documentation It also decided to continue work on a volume presenting a comparative study of the main civil service systems of the world and on a special number of the *International Social Science Bulletin* devoted to a political science subject of general interest

*Expansion of IPSA* The executive committee adopted measures to expand the activities and influence of the association in all parts of the world particularly in the countries of Latin America and Asia It was decided to undertake a large scale campaign to increase individual and group memberships

Persons wishing to join the International Political Science Association as individual members should apply to the association's secretary at 27 rue Saint Guillaume Paris (VII) The subscription is US \$6 or the equivalent in other currencies (reduced to \$5 or the equivalent for members of any national political science association affiliated to IPSA) Individual members are entitled to the regular supply of the circular letter published quarterly by the association and of one of the two following publications *International Social Science Bulletin* *International Political Science Abstracts*

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## ROUND TABLE CONFERENCES IN THE NETHERLANDS

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The Dutch people tend to imbue all phenomena of life with a more or less religious or philosophical setting. Consequently corporations with a confessional bias have been called into being in practically every walk of life. This applies not only to political parties but also to social organizations, employers' associations, trade unions, broadcasting corporations, and even sports clubs, many if not most of them being dedicated into Protestant, Roman Catholic, and neutral groups.

The existence of a certain antithesis between the various groups according to the religious or other convictions cannot be denied.

Only in the event of great national disasters, for instance the war of 1940-45 or the flood of 1953, are the differences momentarily forgotten, giving way to a profound unity.

During the second world war, in the united struggle against oppression, all internal differences were laid aside, and many came to think that unity would henceforth prevail. The post-war situation, however, was a source of bitter disappointment. It soon became evident that the old antitheses were still there. They had only been inactive temporarily.

Yet there were some who during the war had learned something else. They had realized the need for better contact with other people and other groups in order to attain to a fuller knowledge and a more correct evaluation of the convictions of others.

From this need arose the initiative for that select human means of communication, a round table discussion. Its vanguard was the well-known Professor Kohnstamm, who succeeded in bringing together various prominent persons of different convictions. Being a man of universal learning, he immediately placed this work on a scholarly level. Under his leadership, an action committee issued a number of reports dealing with toleration and democracy, and ultimately instituted the *Nederlands Gesprek Centrum* (Netherlands Round Table Conference). The NGC has this aim: "The promotion of greater understanding of differing attitudes so that points of similarity and difference may be more accurately assessed."

The movement is governed by a curatorium consisting of 60 prominent citizens of the Netherlands of widely varying spiritual and political convictions. No significant segment of the population is excluded. There is an executive board composed of Professor Dr. J. H. Bavinck, chairman, and two presidents, Dr. J. C. H. H. de Vink and Dr. H. B. J. Waslander. On this board, the Protestant, Roman Catholic, and humanist convictions are represented.

The movement has three levels of operation:

1. Committees of specialists, each consisting of approximately nine persons of divergent convictions who meet regularly for intensive discussion on a specific subject and later issue a report upon it. Reports have already appeared on work and property, ideals of education, the state and culture, centralization and decentralization, the political party and the parliamentary system, philosophy and faith, birth control. In preparation are about ten other reports on various subjects.

The value of these publications is that points of agreement and points of difference are always made clear. Instead of shadow boxing about purely incidental matters, they contain worthwhile exchanges of views on essentials.

2. National conferences. These are held three times a year. Usually about one hundred people of very divergent convictions assemble, all of them enthusiastic supporters of a round table discussion at a high level.

As a rule, members of the committees already mentioned, who specialize in a

# ORGANIZATION REVIEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TRAINING OF TECHNICIANS IN MEXICO

One of the major difficulties affecting programmes for Indians in Mexico has been the lack of adequately trained technical personnel. Therefore, the National Institute for Indian Affairs and the National School of Anthropology have recently begun a two-year anthropology degree course. The academic studies are coordinated by the Co-ordinating Technical

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logical Society took place. The organizing committee of the congress were E. C. de la Mesa (chairman), Albano W. R. Miller and Gabriel Munhoza (secretaries), Olga Mattar (secretaries), Liguaru d'Espinoza (treasurer) and Carlos Delgado de Carvalho. Donald Person, Roger Bastide, Odino Pires Pinto, Basil P. H. M. Chadwick, Gerardo Ramos, Peter Freire and Antonio Mill Figueroa (members).

## INTER-AMERICAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE

containing matter of great value to social scientists. All responses relating to this specialized field should be addressed to the Secretary of the Inter-American Statistical Institute, Pan American Union, Washington, D.C., United States of America.

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIVERSITIES OF VENEZUELA AND WISCONSIN

The Central University of Venezuela, Caracas, has entered into a 10-year agreement with the University of Wisconsin, United States of America, for intellectual co-operation. The agreement is designed to increase the number of publications arising from the exchange of modulations of the University of Venezuela. It provides a fixed number of professors

The programme is being carried out under the supervision of Messrs Emilio Espinoza, Secretary of the University of Venezuela, Homer J. Herritt, Dean of the University of Wisconsin, and George W. Hill, sponsor of the foundation.

have prepared. In any case the Congress is always at liberty to add to the agenda at its first sessions any other topics it may consider.

The proposed agenda is as follows:  
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of two questions: (a) general outline of American Indians; special study (b) possibility of legislation on an inter-American basis covering Indian operations of special interest to Indians: general

social private and educational special study of three questions: (a) possibility of adopting a common phonetic alphabet for all American Indian languages; (b) utilization of Indian folklore for encouraging the arts; (c) experiments in and future outlook for rural education and the education of Indians in general.

## NEWS FROM LATIN AMERICA<sup>1</sup>

### NEW PUBLICATION ON INDIAN STUDIES IN VENEZUELA

The first number has appeared of a new periodical *Boletín Indigenista Venezolano*. The editorial board consists of Brother Cayetano de Carrocerá, Eduardo Fleury Cuello and Walter Dupouy, and the publishers are the Commission for Indian Affairs, which is a technical and advisory body of the Ministry of Justice for the study of Indian questions. Address: Apartado 2059, Caracas, Venezuela.

The first number of the bulletin includes several important studies listed in the bibliographical register of 'Notas e informaciones de Ciencias Sociales'. All correspondence in connexion with *Boletín Indigenista Venezolano* should be addressed to Edificio Italo, 4.º piso, Padre Serra, a Muro, Caracas, Venezuela.

### LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES IN PROGRESS

Charles E. Dibble is continuing his work on the direct translation of the Sahagún codices. Harry Tschopp, Jr. and Raúl del Río are collecting material for a study of the social anthropology of the Indians of the upper Amazon. Evon Z. Vogt has spent six months on research in Jalisco, Mexico. Gordon Willey is investigating Maya settlement patterns. David DeHarpo and William Bullard are also working on the Maya. Irene Adams is investigating race and class as social criteria in ethnic communities in the larger West Indian islands and in Trinidad. Duncan Strong has concluded some months' research in the Ica Nazca area of Southern Peru. Joseph A. Hester is continuing his research on aboriginal agriculture in Yucatan and British Honduras.



# INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE BULLETIN

## INSTITUTE OF HUMAN RELATIONS IN VENEZUELA

The Institute of Psychology  
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The Institute was founded by Oliver Brachfeld a native of Hungary who graduated at the Sorbonne and was formerly a professor in Spain Brachfeld is a direct follower of Alfred Adler and is the author of various works published in Spanish and English

## NEW PUBLICATION IN TRUJILLO PERU

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## SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES IN ARGENTINA

Under the auspices of the Catholic Culture Courses a new school of social sciences has been opened in Buenos Aires Argentina The school offers a four year specialist course with classes in sociology psychology history political and economic sciences and theology Dr José Miguens is one of the professors The address of the school is 1227 Río Bamba Buenos Aires

## FOUNDATION FOR SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS IN BAHIA BRAZIL

This important institution has pursued its programme of social research in co-operation with Columbia University  
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Most recently Professor Harris under the auspices of Columbia University and the National Research Council of the United States are in Brazil preparing a work on anthropological method based on the experience of studying Brazilian communities especially those investigated under the joint State of Bahia Columbia University programme

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UNITED STATES ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY

In December 1953 the United States Anthropological Society held its annual meeting in Tucson Arizona Among the works submitted which are connected with Latin America were 'The role of social perception in rural urban change in Brazil' (Bernard Segel) 'Culture change in San Miguel Acatan Guatemala 1938-1953' (Morris Segel) 'The ecological outlook in the mestizo culture of Lima Peru' (Ozzie G Simmons) 'On the survival of certain aboriginal American groups Venezuela' (Thomas McConkle) 'Serial problems in the mocha' (T. Wallerstein)

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## IV OPEN FORUM

### PERSONALITY DYNAMICS AND THE TENDENCY TOWARDS STEREOTYPY<sup>1</sup>

R. GORDON

It is the object of this paper to report and to discuss an investigation concerning the possible relationship between the structure and dynamics of personality and the tendency to form and hold stereotyped ideas and attitudes. As a working definition I have regarded as stereotyped mental constructs those images, concepts, beliefs and attitudes which are essentially rigid and change resistant and which tend to represent the facts with which they are concerned in an oversimplified form. These stereotyped mental constructs are here distinguished from what has been described as stereotypes and which have been regarded as consisting of those images, concepts and attitudes possessed and accepted as more or less true by the majority of the members of a social group; an individual can therefore be said to possess them only in so far as he shares in the social myths of his group. In both instances stereotyping refers to such characteristics as persistence, repetition and invariability of mental construct, but in the case of stereotypes it is a question of the spread and distribution of a concept over a multiplicity of human units while in the case of stereotyped mental constructs the spread and distribution of a concept over a multiplicity of time units is in question.

The genesis of stereotypes in the individual is likely to differ from the genesis of personally stereotyped mental constructs, the former being predominantly a function of the relationship of the individual to his group while the latter results from the internal relationship of objects and forces inside the individual. It is true that the society offers a variety of constructs and ideologies as is the case in modern society; the stereotypes possessed by an individual may in fact reflect his personality and its needs and problems. However even here the contribution of personality factors is likely to be less important than in the case of personal constructs for the acceptance of a ready-made cognitive pattern involves less self-expression than does the creation of a new one; furthermore the acceptance of a stereotype is likely to satisfy an individual's need for integration into a social system.

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As a check a colleague carried out an independent analysis of the TAT records and results were then compared.

The belief test had been constructed in order to sample the nature of the beliefs adopted by any particular subject concerning a number of different topics. Questions were asked about the race problem, economic crises, women, nations, social classes, etc. In constructing this test a compromise was attempted between qualifications which such a test should satisfy:

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To deal with the results a scoring key had to be devised. For this purpose four judges were asked to rate each question on a five point scale, a score of one indicating low stereotyping. Three criteria for the existence of stereotypy were given to guide the judges: personification, over-simplification, emotionality.

Thus for each subject a total stereotypy score could be calculated as well as a core stereotype shown in response to all the first sections of the 10 questions and a separate stereotype score for responses to all the fourth sections of the 10 questions.

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- being over concerned with that primary three body relationship the basic problems of low stereotypers on the other hand were usually concerned with the conflict between libidinal and super ego strivings
- 2 A high stereotypy score was found to be most decidedly associated with the presence of marked aggressive tendencies and with the predominance of projection as a principal defence mechanism. The relationship between stereotypy and extra punativeness and a sense of security or insecurity was not quite so marked
  - 3 A correlation was found to exist between the general belief pattern of a person and the central theme of his basic conflicts. Thus subjects with unsolved Oedipus conflicts tended to over emphasize differences and conflicts in social life. people who phantasied an identification with the parent of the opposite sex tended to underemphasize differences in social life while Socialists were preoccupied in their phantasy with the problem of property and its acquisition
  - 4 A small difference was found to exist between high and low stereotypers on the basis of the reasons they cited as responsible for the difference
  - 5 High and low stereotypers could not be distinguished by the age of their concepts and beliefs although they differed in their ability to provide information about this. high stereotypers seemed to find it much more difficult to determine the approximate date when their beliefs developed
  - 6 No generalized spread of stereotypy over the whole attitude system of a person could be found in this study

#### DISCUSSION AND AN ATTEMPTED EXPLANATION OF THE RESULTS

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for the neurosis, rationalization processes as well as over his affective life and behavior

Carrying our speculations a step further and remembering that anxiety is one of the most dominant features of neurosis we might also postulate that a defence against anxiety when this

blem of guilt and the control of defence mechanisms are likely to be

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#### VALUE AND FUNCTION OF STEREOTYPY

Stereotypy therefore can be considered as an analgesic devised by the mind to protect itself against anxiety that is pain. Yet from the biological point of view pain must be regarded as a useful danger signal which informs the organism of any disharmony that might exist in its external or internal environment. Hence it may be more beneficial if man can accept and tolerate a certain amount of pain rather than be over concerned with the search for protective techniques.

It may be that a certain degree of stereotypy is necessary for effective living and for the maintenance of social cohesion. Nevertheless excessive rigidity is likely to lead to ultimate stunting degeneration and the extinction of both an individual and a social group—much as specialization has often done in the course of evolution.

#### POSSIBLE METHODS OF CONTROLLING THE DEVELOPMENT OF STEREOTYPY

The remedy against the encroachment of a process of stereotyping in the case of individuals it may be suggested might be sought in the following conditions

1. A minimizing of social stress and unrest so as to avoid arousing excessive anxiety and thereby the temptation to turn to stereotypy as a method of defence.

- being over concerned with that primary three body relationship the basic problems of low stereotypers on the other hand were usually concerned with the conflict between libidinal and super ego strivings
- 2 A high stereotypy score was found to be most decidedly associated with the presence of marked aggressive tendencies and with the predominance of projection as a principal defence mechanism. The relationship between stereotypy and extra punitiveness and a sense of security or insecurity was not quite so marked
  - 3 A correlation was found to exist between the general belief pattern of a person and the central theme of his basic conflicts. Thus subjects with unsolved Oedipus conflicts tended to overemphasize differences and conflicts in social life. People who phantasied an identification with the parent of the opposite sex tended to underemphasize differences in social life while Socialists were preoccupied in their phantasy with the problem of property and its acquisition
  - 4 A small difference was found to exist between high and low stereotypers on the basis of the reasons they cited as responsible for their beliefs. High stereotypers tending in general to give a slightly greater number of reasons. Low stereotypers very much more frequently than high stereotypers cited personal contact events in their lives and study as responsible for their views
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